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War Relief Commission Renders Real Service

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 9 — [illegible] the War Relief Commission of NAE is rendering effective [illegible] is evident from the appre[illegible] it received from the needy [illegible] of Brussels, Belgium, [illegible] the first consignment was [illegible] through the Belgian [illegible] Mission. This shipment [illegible] sufficient to completely clothe [illegible] suffering people, and was [illegible] by executive director [illegible] D. Lambar as of [illegible]. A second shipment [illegible] in Belgium after the pic[illegible] was taken, and a third is on [illegible]. Another shipment is [illegible] in the New York center to [illegible] the French Bible Mission in [illegible] and will soon be on its [illegible]. There will also be a ship[illegible] going to Norway shortly. [illegible] letter has been received [illegible] the government agency for [illegible] asking for cooperation in [illegible] relief to the Netherlands. [illegible] and continued contri[illegible] of clothing are therefore [illegible], and equally—perhaps [illegible]—necessary are contri[illegible] in cash to pay processing [illegible] shipping charges. The more [illegible] received requires the [illegible] money for these expenses. [illegible] contributions are to be sent [illegible] William Smith, Jr., treas[illegible] 321 Lincoln Liberty Build[illegible] Philadelphia 7, Penna. In[illegible] will be supplied by [illegible] D. Lambar, at the Phila[illegible] address.

[illegible] of families in war [illegible] countries have seen [illegible] homes destroyed. Whole [illegible] have been leveled, and [illegible] parents and little [illegible] have been left groping [illegible] standing helpless among [illegible]. It is estimated that [illegible] alone, 50,000,000 will [illegible] their homes by war's [illegible].

[illegible] over Europe, millions of [illegible] from destruction and [illegible] have fled from air [illegible] pursuing armies and in[illegible] conquerors. There are [illegible] of children in the world [illegible] have never known any[illegible] but flight, terror, destruc[illegible] and disease. Millions of men [illegible] have lost all their [illegible]. Others flee through [illegible] after ruined town with [illegible] they can carry with [illegible] or drive in a small cart. [illegible] misery and suffering in [illegible] countries are intense. [illegible] life has for the most [illegible] been paralyzed. It will be [illegible] perhaps years, be[illegible] even the barest necessities [illegible] available for a few. Most [illegible] have only rags to wear [illegible] sometimes not enough food to keep them from starvation.

These people need help now for they are suffering now. And the suffering from exposure is even greater than that from hunger. In Belgium alone, nearly half of the children are victims of tuberculosis. In a Jugoslav refugee camp, they keep eight babies in a room apart. They have never [illegible] human beings. But the [illegible]

Thousands of refugees have no more than the clothes on their backs. There has been no new clothing in over five years. What was old then is unwearable now. Any scraps of material, even to curtains and upholstery, are used for protection and warmth.

Relief for these needy people is the least, humanly speaking, that we can do for them. But we want to do more, for some of these refugees are Christians. Many others no doubt are open to the Gospel and this is our opportunity for a faithful Christian testimony, as well as for material assistance.

You can help us. Your wearable old clothing in your closets and store rooms is what we need. Get it out. Lay aside what you can spare and send it to our shipping center to be used for war relief. The address is NAE War Relief Commission, 535 W. 49th Street, New York 19, New York. All relief clothing should be sent there, postpaid.

Albany, Ore., N.A.E. Ministers' New Officers

New officers have been elected by the Albany, Ore., Minister's Fellowship of the National Association of Evangelicals, as follows: Chairman, Rev. Gordon E. Jaffe; Vice-Chairman, Rev. Edgar E. Luther; Secretary, Rev. Alan H. Banks; Treasurer, Rev. S. A. Kilewer.

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Toronto's Youth Rally Packs 20,000

TORONTO, Canada, June 29 — Despite a sudden torrential downpour of rain an hour beforehand, almost 20,000 of Toronto's young people and their friends packed Maple Leaf Gardens to its absolute capacity for [illegible]

The attendance, after only six months of regular Saturday night meetings was the greatest in the history of Canada for a gospel rally. Director Charles B. Templeton announced that under the sponsorship of the Toronto Christian Business Men's Committee plans were already underway for two more rallies of the same magnitude next fall and in the following spring. He reported that more than 300 young people came forward in response to the invitation following a stirring message by Rev. Percy Crawford of Philadelphia, and were dealt with by a staff of over 400 personal workers.

Featuring the rally was the mammoth 2000 voice youth choir under the able direction of Talmadge J. [illegible] of Detroit. Constance Templeton, soprano, and Beverly Shea, bass-baritone, were soloists, and their songs were greeted with a thunder of applause. A five piano group was one of the musical highlights of the evening. Other music was provided by the Youth for Christ Octette, Trumpet Trio and King's Radio Quintet.

The giant rally began sharp at 7 p.m. with music by massed Salvation Army Bands, and shortly thereafter Mr. Templeton welcomed visiting delegations, participants and the 150 ministers and their wives who filled the special platform. Despite the fact that there were more than twenty-five items on the program, the rally concluded shortly after ten.

A stirring missionary pageant, with thirty Boy Scouts carrying the flags of the United Nations and climaxed by a challenge for service was one of the highspots of the evening. Mr. Templeton spoke of the plans to take Youth for Christ into Europe and in response some 5,000 young people stood to their feet to offer themselves in dedication to this tremendous task.

Plans for the fall include a week of intensive youth evangelism in Toronto's Massey Hall, seating 3,000, and some of the

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United Evangelical Action Moves To Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 14 — On July 2 the editorial and business offices of United Evangelical Action opened in Cincinnati. The new address is "111 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio."

On August 1 the first issue of UEA will be published and mailed from the "Queen City". A new format, many new features and a new staff will greet its readers.

During the last two weeks in June Dr. James DeForest Murch, the new editor and manager, was in Boston making the many detailed arrangements for the transfer. It will naturally be some time before everything is working smoothly in Cincinnati. Routines must be established and modified to meet new problems. War conditions may interfere to some extent with mails, express, government permits, etc.

In due time, however, it is believed that the new location and organization will prove advantageous in many ways. Mailing, for instance, will take place in the printing plant as soon as the paper comes from the press. Cincinnati post office is well located for national circulation distribution and subscribers should receive their papers more promptly than in the past.

Mr. Charles W. Campbell, under whose efficient business management during the past two years the paper in its present form has been made self-supporting, will remove to Cincinnati to continue his work there after August 1st, much to the regret of the many friends he has made in the East.

[illegible] will represent every geographical area of the nation and half the major denominations of America. This should insure a complete news coverage by evangelicals for evangelicals and from the evangelical viewpoint.

Dr. Murch, in an interview before he left Boston, said, "There is a marvelous field of opportunity for UEA in the field of religious journalism. It is our hope that we can build on the splendid foundation already laid by the founders of the periodical, in such a way as to make UEA the voice of evangelical Christianity in America and the rallying-ground for all evangelical thought and action. We want the aid and counsel of all evangelicals in all denominations without regard to their organizational relationships."

He was most appreciative of the cooperation received from the Boston office in making the transfer. "I am deeply indebted", he stated, "to Mr. Charles W. Campbell, Rev. G. E. Richter and Miss Emma Brooks in the office of United Evangelical Action for their courtesies and cooperation. Dr. J. Elwin Wright, Miss Gertrude D. Clark, Mrs. Phillip Jacquith and many others in the NAE office were equally kind and helpful. I was much impressed by the spirit of consecration and devotion to their tasks which was evident every day. Truly here is an organization which is seeking to do the Master's will in all things and feels an [illegible] to make for the unification and effective cooperation of evangelical Christianity in America."

A close relationship will be maintained between the Boston and Cincinnati offices, but all communications intended for either the editorial or business offices of the journal should now be addressed, "United Evangelical Action, 111 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio."

Industrial Chaplains' Course At Wheaton

(Special to Evangelical Action)

WHEATON, Ill., July 5—A six-week seminar for Industrial Chaplains, the first of its kind, is being held at Wheaton College from June 23 to August 3.

The course is designed to be of help to men now serving as military chaplains to [illegible] chaplains in industrial [illegible]. The course is offered on college level and carries college credit. Candidates who successfully complete the course will be awarded appropriate certificate issued jointly by the Commission for Industrial Chaplains of the National Association of Evangelicals and Wheaton College.

In addition to regular members of the College faculty, special lecturers from industries have been engaged, including such men as Dr. Gustave W. Weber, Director of Public Relations of the Dunkler Jarvis Corporation, and Mr. Ernest L. Chase, District Manager of the George S. May Corporation, New Jersey.

Classes are being held in Personal Evangelism; Factory Organization and Administration; Personnel Administration and Industrial Relations; Organized Labor Problems; Health, Safety, and Special Problems; and Community Resources. In addition to the regular course work, nearby industrial plants are being visited in order that the practical side of the field may be observed.

Winona Lake Conference On "Youth For Christ" Coming

(Special to Evangelical Action)

July 23 to 29—these are the dates for the Youth for Christ conference at Winona Lake, Ind. A host of leaders in this new whirlwind movement will lead great gatherings and smaller detached groups in considering plans for a better Y. for C. There will be classes in leadership training, personal work, a YFC clinic, Music—how to pick it and how to lead it, Christian literature and publicity, and other subjects. Richard Harvey will conduct a hillside service in the open each evening from 6:15 to 7. Following are some of the speakers to be heard: James Bennett, Vincent Brushwyler, Robert Cook, V. R. Edman, Robert Finley, Robert Parsons, Mervin Rosell, Phil Saint, Jack Schuler, Mrs. Ruth Stull, and others. Torrey Johnson is director.

In the afternoons from 2 to 5:30 sports programs will be arranged by T. D. Westerfield, and no better place can be found for a vacation than Winona Lake, "The Play-ground of the Christian World." Boating, swimming, fishing, tennis, every summertime sport is available. And the total cost is but $33. This includes registration, room and board. Arthur W. McKee at the Lake, will give further particulars on application. By railroad, or Greyhound or Trailways bus, the station is Warsaw, Ind.

If you've made other plans for this year, or are too late to apply now, better save your dimes and make it your destination for next year's vacation.

Hearst Papers Give Detroit "Youth For Christ" Much Publicity

Many indications are being given that editors of Hearst newspapers throughout the country are complying with the recent instructions of their chief, William Randolph Hearst, to give all possible publicity to the Youth for Christ movement. An outstanding indication of compliance with this order is that of the Detroit Times, which in its issue of June 12 devoted an entire page to pictures of the Detroitland Youth for Christ "drinkless, danceless, petless" moonlight cruise of the previous evening. There were 2,400 young folks on the trip. The Young People's Band of the Salvation Army led the group singing, and Gil Dodds delivered the address.

Another full-page layout of pictures appeared in the Times of Monday, June 25, reporting the usual rally of the previous Saturday night, when the 75-voice, red-robed choir is a feature.

Roman Catholics Inaugurate Aggressive Proselytizing Plans

It may not be generally known throughout the country that New England, where the Pilgrim Fathers established the Protestant faith in this country, and Massachusetts and Rhode Island in particular, have become the centers of Roman Catholic strength. Fall River, Mass., contains a larger proportion of Catholics than any other city in the United States, 85% of the total, and is closely followed by New Bedford and Boston, only fractionally lower. To "Little Rhody," the smallest state in the union, belongs the distinction of leading all the states in the proportion of Catholics in the total population. Years ago, Arizona and New Mexico, settled by the Spanish, and Louisiana, established by French, were naturally the states in which Roman Catholics predominated. However, the influx of immigrants to these New England areas, where Irish, French and Portuguese, besides other central and southern Europeans, generally Catholic, have settled in seaboard cities, have changed the picture in the past fifty years.

As a consequence, Catholic dioceses in this area have assumed greater importance and their bishops have often manifested an arrogant and aggressive attitude. This is especially true of the Greater Boston area, where Archbishop Cushing, recently elevated to that position, and successor to the late Cardinal O'Connell, has recently taken steps which cannot be interpreted as other than a desire to interfere with Protestant progress, and to promote that of his own faith. The latter may be understood as a perfectly natural impulse, for any man, layman or ecclesiastic, naturally desires to propagate the faith by which he shapes his life, if that faith has any vitality. But fair-minded men will question anyone's right to attempt to uproot by legally proper but ethically questionable methods the fundamental faith of a community or commonwealth because by economic accident the originally established faith has become a minority group.

In Boston recently there have been such instances of arrogance on the part of Archbishop Cushing. He has invaded the public schools in the regalia of his office, to explain to pupils the significance of his accouterments.

More recently, the heirachy has acquired title to a group of buildings on Park Street, Boston, which are to be remodeled (and after the war when priorities make it possible to be torn down and reconstructed) to serve as a "Catholic Information Center," under the direction of Paulist Fathers, whose special task is the proselytizing of Protestants to the Catholic faith. Undoubtedly the Archbishop has a perfect right to acquire this property, but since it is in the very center of Boston's outstanding Protestant institutions, the purpose is self-evident. It is another step in the program of the submersion of New England Protestantism. This property is located midway between Park Street Church and the building occupied by the New England Fellowship. Around the corner, on Beacon street, are located the headquarters of three non-Catholic denominations, including the Congregational House, center of that denomination for a century. Near by are the headquarters of two other denominations, and within a little more than a block stands Tremont Temple, housing not only that church's activities, but the offices of the New England Evangelistic Association, the Massachusetts Baptist Convention, and other Protestant groups.

There is another real estate project pending in Boston which involves a retreat for Protestantism and an advantage for the Catholic church. For over forty years, the New England Provincial Headquarters of the Salvation Army have been located at Washington and East Brookline Streets. Here is also situated the Palace corps, with an immense auditorium, and the Palace Lodge, a hotel for homeless men. Now it is proposed by the Boston Housing Authority, in the course of contemplated improvements in the city, to acquire this and other adjacent property, (though the purchase has not yet been consummated) for a project which, perhaps only incidentally, includes a parkway which will serve not merely as an approach, but as a beautiful situation, for the nearby Catholic Cathedral. The Housing Authority, like every department of Boston's city government, is predominantly Catholic as may be expected in a city which is overwhelmingly Catholic in its present-day population.

Gideons' Annual Convention

The International annual meeting of the Gideons will be held at Detroit, Mich., this year, July 18 to 23.

Servicemen Turn The Tables

By Sgt. Ted W. Engstrom
Editor, The Christian Digest

Much is being done and said these days about the splendid work the church and God's people are doing for servicemen. They are busily engaged in providing tracts, holding meetings for the men and women in uniform, setting up Christian Service Centers and the like. This has proved to be a great ministry which the Lord is richly blessing, and one which is much appreciated by those in the service.

However, here in Palm Springs, Calif., where I am presently stationed in an Army General Hospital, we are witnessing this program work in reverse. The "GIs" stationed here who are believing Christians are bringing the Gospel to the civilian populace!

A few months ago a Christian Servicemen's Bible Class was formed in this community composed of born-again soldiers stationed at the local Army Air Base and the Army Hospital. We meet weekly for Bible study, prayer and Christian fellowship, and have a great time in the Lord. From this group has come a Gospel Team which is actively engaged in presenting the Gospel through testimony, message and song in various churches in the surrounding communities. We have many more invitaions than we can accept, and at each service souls have been reached for Christ. The Lord has richly blessed this ministry in opening doors for service and in touching hearts of those to whom we minister. It has proved to be a means of grace to both us who minister and those who listen. Our Heavenly Father has even arranged Army transportation for our team to get to its various appointments.

Our "Servicemen's Victory Bible Class" recently engaged in a project which we feel is worthy of mention and in which we have seen the Lord work in a marvelous way. We have long felt that this team needed a heaven-sent revival, and after much prayer felt led, as a GI group, to sponsor a week of concentrated—and consecrated!—evangelistic meetings. Two of us drove into Los Angeles (125 miles) one day, asking God to lead in lining up special speakers for this campaign, using a different person for each of the five nights of the meeting. We were amazed, and humbled, at the way in which the Lord opened doors and manifested His leading. Before we left Los Angeles that evening, we had the promise of such speakers as: Dr. Charles E. Fuller, founder and leader of the God-blessed ministry of the Old-Fashioned Revival Hour; Dr. Louis T. Talbot, pastor of the great Church of the Open Door, and president of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles; Paul Myers ("First Mate Bob") of the "Haven of Rest" network Gospel radio program with his entire "crew"; Dr. Don Householder, leading Los Angeles Youth worker; and Paul Kenyon, converted dance orchestra leader who has had a wide ministry among young people.

God is richly blessing our effors as a servicemen's group to reach the unsaved soldiers, as well as civilians, in this area with the Gospel. Many were won to Him through the faithful preaching of the Word by these His servants.

God honored this venture of Christian service personnel bringing the Gospel to others, rather than "soaking it in," as it has been brought to us.

We covet your prayers for such groups of consecrated servicemen who seek to bring the "Good News" to a lost, dying, sinful generation. This is a ministry which God is using in these dark days; we feel that it is deserving of your interest and prayers.

Still Protesting Against Ruling On Conference

Protests continue to be made by Christian groups of all denominations in various parts of the country against the policy of the ODT in restricting the holding of religious assemblies, while removing such restrictions as related to races and other sporting events. This is indicated by the following despatches received from the Religious News Service, summarized below.

ALBANY, N. Y. (RNS) June 27—The New York State Council of Churches has protested to President Truman against the policy. Dr. Wilbur T. Clemens, general secretary of the Council, declared that curtailment of summer camps and conferences "will reflect itself in the lack of Christian leadership in our country in the future," and that "governmental interference with the work of the Christian Church is a violation of the traditional policy of the separation of the Church and the State, and denies the Church the freedom to train its youth."

VICTOR, N. Y. (RNS) June 28—Action of the ODT in prohibiting some of the Presbyterian Church's summer conferences was sharply criticized here by the Rochester Presbytery. The resolution said, "The educational and religious values of youth conferences put them in a category far above these commercial entertainments and physical culture programs. They are among the outstanding character-building influences for our young people."

ST. PAUL, Minn. (RNS) June 29—A protest against the Office of Defense Transportation policy was adopted by the St. Paul Presbytery at a meeting here. The resolution assailed the ODT policy as "an abridgement of the freedom of religion and as prejudicial to character building and religious agencies in our country. We believe that such agencies," the protest continued, "should receive all possible encouragement from the government and urge that the ban be lifted."

Toronto--

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regular Youth for Christ rallies and climaxing in the Gardens with an objective of 1,000 decisions during the week and a total attendance of 40,000. A city-wide canvas is planned. "We will do everything within our power through the power of God to bring Christ to the Youth of Toronto!" Mr. Templeton said.

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• Thus wrote Private Lloyd Cory, war-absent student from Wheaton College now fighting for his country in the South Pacific. But will there be room for Private Cory when he returns?
• Wheaton College is now finding it necessary to turn away young men and women. How then are they going to provide for the hundreds of "Private Corys" who will be looking to us when "it is over, over there"?
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ational Religious Broadcasters Add Stainback To Staff

r. Clinton H. Churchill, Presi- t of the National Religious adcasters, Inc., has announced appointment of the Rev. hur H. Stainback, as extension retary for the Broadcasters.

ev. Mr. Stainback is resigning pastorate of the Georgetown tist Church, Georgetown, Ken- y, and will take up his duties the Broadcasters on August . This church is the home rch for the Georgetown Bap- College, where last year, y unsaved student made a fession of faith during the col- year. Mr. Stainback reported during the past year of his istry, 265 new members were ed to his church's membership . In addition to his pastoral ies in Georgetown, he has en- ed in state-wide evangelistic k.

native of Virginia, Rev. A. H. inback is a graduate of the lege of William and Mary, liamsburg, Virginia, and re- ed his theological training at Hartford Theological Semi- y, Hartford, Conn., and the Brunswick Seminary, New nswick, N. J.

revious to his present pastor- he was religious director for o station WKRC in Cincinnati, o, and for a number of years been a radio broadcaster, first New Jersey and later in Ohio. Stainback has served on num- s program committees for sta- s and church groups. He will e his headquarters after Aug- first, at Buffalo, N. Y., but duties will take him to various s throughout the nation, where plans to organize religious dcasters and conduct regional ferences.

Rev. Arthur H. Stainback

rch To Observe 225 Years Of Loyalty To The Faith

ecial to Evangelical Action

HATHAM, Mass., June 28.— e Cod, which projects like a e arm into the Atlantic Ocean the southeast corner of this monwealth, is well-known to t eastern people for its many rite vacation spots. Evangelic- may not always be familiar n visiting these resorts, with rches in this locality where odox preaching may be heard. in this community, at the el- of this great arm, in this vil- , stands the Chatham Congre- onal Church, of which Rev. can Black is pastor, which its establishment on 1720 has been true to "the faith once ered to the saints." It is quite ssible from any point on the , so that any sojourners from ards Bay to Provincetown avail themselves of its op- unities.

his historic church will ob- e its 225th Anniversary on ust 12, when at the 7:30 eve- service the message will be ght by Dr. Harold J. Ocken- pastor of Park St. Congrega- l Church, Boston, former ident of the NAE.

embership in the Na- nal Association of angelicals is open to ngelical denomina- ns, churches, organi- tions and individuals. sts nothing to join. No es or assessments. If u are with us in spirit, Christian work of the sociation will be engthened by your embership. Please d for application nk.

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Central District Assemblies of God Have New Officers

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Changes have been made in officers of the Central District Council, Assemblies of God, and in the addresses of other officers, which should be borne in mind by correspondents. Rev. D. G. Foote has retired as its secretary, to be succeeded by Rev. T. E. Hartshorn as secretary-treasurer, at 117 Glenwood Heights, Mansfield, Ohio. District Superintendent Rev. G. F. Lewis' address is Big Prairie, Ohio, and that of assistant superintendent Rev. E. E. Bond is 2400 No. 13th Street, Terra Haute, Ind. These addresses are temporary and subject to change in the fall.

Plans are under consideration for permanent district headquarters, which it is hoped will mature by the fall, when decision will also be made regarding the possibility of making the assistant superintendent a full-time officer.

Dr. Householder Labels Patton's Speech Profane

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Much interest has been awakened on the Pacific Coast by a recent sermon by Dr. Don Householder, co-pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, Los Angeles, who is chairman of the NAE group in that city, in which the preacher, discussing the theme "Profanity in High Places", criticised Gen. George S. Patton's speech a few days earlier in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

"What should have been the most glorious celebration Los Angeles has experienced in her history turned out to be the most tragic on the profanation of the name of God, repeated over and over again by the one we met to honor, Gen. George S. Patton," said Dr. Householder.

"Never in our country's history has there been such a public profanation of His name," said the minister. "One could even sense the protest within the hearts of the people and in many sections of the large audience audible resentment was expressed."

"Gen. George Washington and Gen. John Pershing always held that name in high reverence," added Rev. Dr. Householder. "We trust that the general, whom we admire and respect for his daring exploits and achievements in this war, will hereafter remember his moral obligation to the youth of America."

Henry Luce of Time Endows Seminary Chair

NEW YORK (RNS) July 2 — The Henry W. Luce Visiting Professorship of World Christianity has been established at Union Theological Seminary here, it was announced by Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, president elect of the school. Dr. Francis Cho-min Wei, Chinese educator, has been named first incumbent of the new chair.

The professorship was made possible by gifts from Henry R. Luce, editor-in-chief of Time, Life and Fortune, and from the Henry Luce Foundation, in memory of Mr. Luce's father, the Rev. Henry Winters Luce, a student of Union Seminary in the class of 1895, and a leader in the development of higher education in China.

Stole 300 lb. Church Bell

BRISTOL, England (AP)—Robert Boston, 33, was sentenced to six months at hard labor for receiving an article stolen from the storage room of Bedminster Church, but 'Exhibit A' was missing from the court hearing. It was a 300-pound church bell.

Point System for Chaplains

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (RNS) July 2—An official point system, similar to that of the Army, to determine which chaplains should first be permitted to return to civilian life, has been proposed here.

Winona Lake Conferences

Winona Lake, Ind., which is the seat of more conferences than any other one place in America, has listed the following conferences to be held during July of interest to evangelicals: July 10-12, W. C. T. U. Conference; July 15-20, Conference of Evangelism; July 19-22, Conference of the Oriental Missionary Society; July 22-29, Youth for Christ Conference; and July 22-28, Conference of the American Association for Jewish Evangelism.

Gov. Dewey of New York Endorses Sunday School

NEW YORK (RNS) July 2 — National Sunday School Week, which is being sponsored by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau here from Sept. 16 to 23, has been endorsed by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York.

Asserting that "it is a deeply disturbing fact that no fewer than 17 million children in our country receive no religious instruction whatsoever," Governor Dewey added that "for the future of the nation it is desirable that we leave no measures untried to enroll all our future citizens in the Sunday Schools of America."

"We should try for this goal not only for the benefit of the youngsters themselves," he said, "but for the benefit of all the people of the country. No person can call himself educated who does not maintain familiarity with the Bible", and that "it is by attendance at Sunday School that our children obtain the necessary foundation."

Sunnyside, Wash., Holds Its Fourth NAE Rally

Special to Evangelical Action

Despite the torrid heat on June 24, 300 people were present at the fourth N.A.E. rally held at Sunnyside. A union service was held at the First Presbyterian Church to hear Rev. Wm. H. Nagel, Pacific Northwest Regional Director, when he spoke on the subject, "What Will Become of Germany." The response to the aims and program of the N.A.E. has been constantly mounting in the lower Yakima Valley.

On June 25 at 10:00 a. m. an organizational meeting was held in the Presbyterian Church at which a number of representatives were present from the various towns in the lower Yakima Valley. A general committee was formed to represent all the interested churches in Sunnyside and its environs and an executive committee was elected to develop a cooperative program for this area. Dr. Earl W. Reed, pastor of the First Brethren Church, was chosen as chairman of the committee. Plans were made to hold a regular ministerial meeting the first Monday evening of every month, to be followed by a public gospel service. Recommendations were made to set up an Evangelical Teacher Training Institute to serve the community.

A number of the Sunnyside ministers are cooperating with the Christian Business Men's Committee in re-organizing the youth work of the city. Plans are under way to have the Lifeliner Youth Center open for supervised recreation daily with two public gospel meetings a week. Sunnyside's facilities for a youth program are without parallel in the Pacific Northwest. The new executive committee of the Youth for Christ consists of: Chairman, Stanley Murray; Vice-Chairman, John Clark; Secretary-treasurer, Wendell Morgan. Also serving on the committee are Dr. Earl W. Reed, Dr. H. G. Ellsworth and Rev. Elmer Zamzow.

Michigan Methodists Oppose Liquor Favors

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., June 18, (RNS) — A protest against manufacture of alcoholic drinks "in such times as these when food is becoming more and more scarce, when millions are hungry, and when USA food must feed those millions," was registered here by the Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Church. The Conference also called for prohibition of all advertisements of alcoholic drinks in Michigan and of sale of liquor in dance halls. The Michigan Department of Public Instruction was urged to provide alcohol education courses in colleges and teacher training institutions.

Southern Woman Makes Good Old Church Pledge

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS) July 2 — Back in 1919 a Baptist woman made her pledge to the Southern Baptist Seventy-Five Million Campaign, a forward program launched to promote missionary, educational and benevolent causes. But this woman, like others, soon found her purse greatly crippled by the depression and was unable to meet her pledge. The inability of such people to pay threw Southern Baptist agencies some $6,500,000 into debt with the various state boards suffering as much or more.

This particular Arkansas woman, however, has been unable to forget her pledge and the moral obligation it carried. Last month she sent a check for $120 to state secretary B. L. Bridges at Baptist State Headquarters in Little Rock with the notation: "This completes the payment of my pledge." Secretary Bridges forwarded the payment to the Foreign Mission Board.

The woman has written a second letter, this one enclosing a check for $180. She said: "It has been 25 years since I fell down on my pledge. That would make interest on the $120, at 6 per cent, be $180. That gives a glimpse of what we who fell down on our pledges cost our state and southern conventions, doesn't it? I am sorry. Here is my check to help patch up the damage I caused."

Says A Million Jews Seek Palestine Homes

Asserting that "many, many thousands of Jews without permits would try to enter Palestine in the coming months, David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, called yesterday for an immediate end to restrictions on legal entry.

With the war in Europe ended, "you cannot prevent Jews from coming to Palestine without shooting them," Mr. Ben-Gurion declared at the Hotel Commodore. He had conferred in London with British officials. He hopes to see high officers of the United States Government also regarding Palestine.

"When the Arabs realize that the great powers mean what they say about Palestine, Arab opposition, which comes mainly from a small clique, will cease," the visitor asserted.

He reported that the Jewish Agency planned to help 1,000,000 additional Jews — about 600,000 from Europe and 400,000 from the Near East—to settle in Palestine within five years. He said informal surveys showed at least that number anxious to enter the country.

With some 600,000 Jews now occupying 400,000 acres in Palestine, the agency believes that "ten times as many Jews" could be established there without overcrowding, Mr. Ben-Gurion said. He added that "simply telling them not to come will not prevent their coming."—New York Times.

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What Church Leaders Say About San Francisco Charter

Numerous individuals and groups are undertaking in these days to urge churches and Christian people to support the findings of the international representatives who have given to the world for ratification, the San Francisco charter. Without committing the NAE to either support or rejection of this project, on which there may be division of opinion, Allied Evangelical Action submits to its readers some of these opinions, in order to supply information which may be of value to each person in forming an opinion for himself.

John Foster Dulles Approves

Asserting the document fulfilled "our hopes even beyond our expectations," John Foster Dulles, who served as an advisor to the American delegation, said he could see "no reasonable ground for Christian people now to hesitate in their support of the San Francisco Charter," declaring it to be "a great task of creation," and a "Magna Charta for the world."

"It must be made a reality," he stressed. "That first requires ratification by our government. Then there will lie before us the arduous and continuing task of assuring that the new organization in fact promotes a just and durable peace."

Because church agencies had criticized the Dumbarton Oaks security proposals, Mr. Dulles stressed that "the charter which emerges from San Francisco is a totally different instrument than the draft of Dumbarton Oaks. To a very large extent, the specific recommendations made by our church groups have been given effect. The basic conception of Dumbarton Oaks, he pointed out, was that a few great powers would wield overwhelming military might to repress violence, but at San Francisco the emphasis was shifted.

Stanley I. Stuber Calls for Support

NEW YORK — Rev. Stanley I. Stuber, director of public relations of the Northern Baptist Convention, who was an official observer and press correspondent at San Francisco, warned that "if religious people become indifferent and disunited in their aims, leaving the new league to struggle along without moral support, they will be guilty in large part for the next World War." "If, on the other hand," he said, "they can unite to implement these elements of international law, human freedom and social-economic principles which have been written into the charter at San Francisco, then they will be instrumental in creating a new world situation in which war will not be necessary."

Stressing the importance to the Christian Church of the success of the United Nations organization, Mr. Stuber also said the church "could well afford to invest a good portion of the post-war funds now being raised by most of the denominations in its implementation."

"For, of what value," he asked, "will rebuilt churches and mission stations amount to, if we have World War III within the next 25 years? In that event would not everything be lost?"

He said the church's immediate obligation was to seek ratification and to support the new league actively after it has once been organized.

Episcopalian Spokesman Gives It His Approval

PHILADELPHIA — The Charter of the United Nations "marks a significant milestone in man's effort to plan for a peaceful and orderly world," it was said here by Dr. O. Frederick Nolde, Episcopalian consultant to the San Francisco Conference.

"It opens the way," he told a mass meeting of the five commissions of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania, "for the promotion of human rights and freedoms, for economic and social co-operation, for the advancement of dependent peoples, for peaceful change, for the discussion of tensions among the nations."

According to Dr. Nolde, governmental leaders have heeded the voice of the churches "to a remarkable degree." He pointed out that "many of the standards which Christian people advanced as immediate needs for international co-operation have been met in the Charter."

Southern Baptists Urge Ratification

Immediate ratification by the U. S. of the United Nations Charter was urged by the Southern Baptist Convention's Committee on World Peace in a statement issued by Dr. J. M. Dawson, committee chairman and pastor of First Baptist Church of Waco, Tex.

"While not contending the charter is perfect," the committee said, "we nevertheless strongly insist that it commends itself on the whole to the Christian conscience and warrants our firmest support. Particularly is its statement of humanitarian aims in the preamble to be approved. We note with satisfaction what it proclaims there in respect to human rights and freedoms, explicitly specifying no discrimination against any on grounds of religion . . ."

The statement admonished that "for the present we should maintain the spirit of patience in respect to tensions between the nations."

"Toward this end we must seek to the utmost to develop a fuller, better international morality . . . Christian believers in all countries, forming a planet engirdling fellowship, can lend the mightiest possible influence toward the creation of a morality which will sustain a co-operative world order."

Catholic Leaders Approve

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 2 (RNS) — Support for the San Francisco plan and other proposals for world unity was urged by Roman Catholic leaders at a week-long seminar conducted here by the National Commission on International Relations and attended by 30 young women representing 15 Catholic colleges.

The Rev. Thomas A. O'Melia, M. M., of Maryknoll, N. Y., stressed the links that bind the individual, the community, the nation and the world together, and declared that "if any link in this chain be broken, the whole world will ultimately suffer."

The Federal Council Urges Ratification

The Charter of the United Nations signed at San Francisco "marks a genuine advance" toward the realization that "nations can better serve God's purpose for the world as they are brought into organic relationships with one another for the common weal," the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of Churches asserted here, in a statement declaring that it was "the clear duty of our government promptly to ratify the Charter and thus to assure co-operation by the United States in the task of making the organization an effective agency for the maintenance of international peace and security."

Denominations in the Council will be asked to set aside Sunday, July 22, for reading of the Council's Statement on the Charter of the United Nations, at regular morning services or at special meetings after the worship period, and that church members will be asked to support ratification of the Charter by Congress.

Methodists Will Distribute Tracts In Terminals

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (RNS) July 2 — Religious tracts will be circulated in bus and railroad stations throughout the United States by the Division of the Local Church of the Methodist Board of Education, it was disclosed here by the Rev. M. Leo Rippey, director of the Board's Adult Department.

"If we can place holders in all the bus and railroad stations throughout the country, and keep them supplied with leaflets," he said, "we will be doing something that will make a significant contribution to the work of all Protestant churches."

A tract series has been prepared especially for service personnel and war workers, in a joint project of the Congregational Christian and Methodist Churches.

Dorothy Thompson Cites Need For Bible Teaching

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (RNS) July 2 — Dorothy Thompson has come to the conclusion that "unless there's a rebirth of religious spirit in the hearts of its leaders and in people throughout the world, our civilization, despite tremendous victories, will slide into an abyss — perhaps for centuries."

Writing in the July issue of Ladies' Home Journal, the columnist says that the Bible "has one ever-recurring refrain from the mouths of its poets and prophets, and records one ever-recurring historic fact: that great civilizations perish when men turn from God and fail to walk in the paths of righteousness, justic and mercy."

British Methodists Lose Members—Worse Since 1932 Methodist Union

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) July 6 — British Methodists are challenged by the "serious decline" in church membership, the Methodist Recorder declared in stating that the Church had lost more than 140,000 members during the past 37 years.

"At the time of the Methodist Union in 1932," the weekly said, "we returned a membership of 838,019. At the May synods this year, the numbers were given as 744,314, so that in thirteen years, there has been a decline of 93,705. We can't say that the Methodist Union has been the cause of the decline, because the numbers fell from 888,850 in 1908 to 838,019 in 1932. This loss works out at an average of nearly 4,000 yearly; since the Union, the loss has been more than 7,000 yearly."

Myron Taylor's Mystery Status Still Discussed

One of the most widely-discussed questions in Protestant circles since the accession of President Truman to the executive office has been that of the status of Myron C. Taylor appointed as President Roosevelt's "personal" representative.

To the many church bodies which had previously expressed themselves upon this anamolous subject was added the action of the New England synod of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., meeting recently at Northfield, Mass., which passed resolutions requesting Mr. Taylor's recall. The Synod expressed belief that the Taylor post "is contrary to the best interests of harmony in our country and is in violation of the principle of separation of church and state."

Despite these many protests the Religious News Service last week reported that the Department of State has "no comment," to make on requests of various church groups that Mr. Taylor be recalled. A press spokesman said there that as in the past, the Department even if it contemplated any action, would not comment on the requests.

Notwithstanding, rumors persist that President Truman has without publicity, confirmed Mr. Taylor as his own representative as he had been Mr. Roosevelt's.

Filipinos Refuse Payment For Aid Given Interned Missionary Prisoners

MANILA (RNS) July 3—Filipinos risked their lives to bring food, clothing and money to interned missionaries, but now refuse payment in return, Dr. R. Fred Chambers, president of Central Philippine College at Jaro, revealed here.

Relating his experiences when imprisoned by the Japanese at Iloilo and Santo Tomas, Dr. Chambers said natives and others "having benefitted by our efforts to serve them over so many years, never forgot." To repay the gifts and loans then made, Dr. Chambers went back to Panay before returning to America, and advertised in a newspaper asking creditors to appear, and received a reply from a wealthy Chinese who had anonymously provided frequest loans:

"I, too, was a prisoner of the Japanese. In gratitude for my salvation, mainly through the intervention of missionary friends, I hereby certify that all accounts are settled." The amount due him was 13,500 pesos or $6,7...

Dr. Chambers reported ... conditions in Panay, strongh... Northern Baptist missi... work in the Philippines, are "... desolate." He said Central P... ippine College was a sham... and many of the native ch... were demolished by the Japa... who suspected native Chris... of collaborating with guer... but the congregations for ... most part have been kept i...

Delta Presbyterian C... Wins Ohio Rural A...

WOOSTER, Ohio (RNS) Ju... —The Town and Country C... mission of the Synod of ... Presbyterian Church in the U... has given its first "Disting... Achievement Award" t... Presbyterian church at ... Ohio, for attaining certain ... set up for town and c... churches.

Scoring 3,175 points out of ... possible 4,389, the Delta ch... was the only one of the 270 ... Presbyterian churches in the ... to score high enough to earn ... award, which was based on ... classifications: administ... evangelism, Christian educ... missions, stewardship, pr... and equipment, and commu... relationships.

In addition to the award to ... church, the Rev. Homer F... Delta's pastor, will also re... a document certifying him a... "Rural Pastor of Distinction."

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CHICAGO — Cash contri... and pledges to the Met... Church's $25,000,000 Crusa... Christ relief and reconstr... fund have reached $27,430,... was announced at Crusade h... quarters here. Of this am... $17,315,708 was paid in cash ... June 26.

In addition, the denomi... 8,000,000 members contribute... 803,049 to the World Service ... for missionary and educa... work during the year which ... ed May 31, an increase of $... over last year.

Arkansas Methodists Bu... Million Dollar H...

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bbi Fears Christian nfluence Will Alienate Jewish Child Refugees

TLANTIC CITY, N. J. (RNS) y 6 — Many Jewish children tered in Christian homes dur- the persecutions by Nazis in ope may never revert to aism, according to Dr. Salo W. on, professor of Jewish liter- re at Columbia University. He that other Jewish children carry into their future life a memory of the Christian als and Christian legends told n by their foster parents, pas- , or priests.

r. Baron predicted that "we witness the resurgence of re- on by the Judaeo - Christian bination such as character- the religion of the Marran- The Marranos were Jews during the Inquisition took other religions until the per- tion was ended. He expressed imism over the future out- . "From the reawakening these people may come that t religious message for which prosperous and rather smug ish communities of Western ope and America have been king," he declared.

ans To Unite Six inese Christian Colleges

EW YORK (RNS) July 3— olidation of the American ds of trustees of six Christian eges in China, was announced by the Rev. Earle H. Ballou, cutive secretary of the Asso- ed Boards for Christian Col- in China. The merger will nown as the United Board for stian Colleges in China.

he institutions involved are en Christian University, Gin- College, Hwa Nan College, University of Nanking, West a Union University, and Yen- University, all originally tered by the Regents of the e of New York. For 15 years have been integral parts of Chinese educational system, Boards of Directors in China aging their affairs.

r the present, the United d will be a part of the Asso- d Boards, and arrangements being made for others of the Christian colleges in the Asso- d Boards to affiliate with the grouping. At present, all but of these schools are refugees the Japanese, either having closed or moved deeper into interior.

nominations which partici- in support of one or more of six institutions include the regational Christian Church- Disciples of Christ, Protestant copal Church, Evangelical Reformed Church, Methodist rch, Northern Baptist Con- ion, Presbyterian Church in USA, Reformed Church in rica, and United Church of ada.

nley Jones Says Latins Welcome Protestants

EW YORK (RNS) July 5 — estant churches are destined ave "a great place" in the life outh America, Dr. E. Stanley s predicted here on his re- from a speaking tour of , Argentina, Uruguay, Bra- and other Latin American tries.

eventeen years ago, when I visited South America," he "the evangelistic movement out on the edges of life. It confined to little churches. in these years something has pened. The intellectual Latin ricans had passed up religion s ago. Now they want to what it means for them and countries.

ewspaper reporters, on this asked me what the mission- believed on this and that ect. Seventeen years ago they ded this viewpoint. The fact at the movement is becoming blic issue—people are talking t it. That is because the ement stands for freedom and ty — and it is freedom and ty for which the intellec- are looking."

Church Groups Oppose Military Training Plan

Compulsory peacetime military training is a civic problem which has decided ethical and religious angles, and is causing wide difference of opinion among Christians, as well as other people. Few of its advocates have made themselves heard in recent church councils, while many have expressed themselves on the other side of the guetsion, as is indicated by the accompanying news dispatches, published to indicate the trend of present-day thought, as an aid to the individual in coming to his own conclusion. It will be observed that all of these herewith published issue from Methodist groups, which perhaps have been more active in opposition to militarism than others.

PASADENA, Calif.—Peacetime military conscription "is a violation of democracy, a useless waste of money as regards national defense, and an incitement to the growth of militarism at home and fear and distrust abroad," the Southern California-Arizona Annual Conference of the Methodist Church declared here.

WILMINGTON, Dela. — Young people of the Wilmington, Easton, Dover, and Salisbury districts which comprise the Peninsula Conference of the Methodist Church have registered opposition to peace-time military conscription.

LAKESIDE, Ohio—The Northeast Ohio Conference of the Methodist Church went on record here as opposing compulsory post war military training.

Peacetime conscription was pictured in a report as incompatible with religious and democratic principles.

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British and American Societies Print Scriptures For Liberated Nations

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) July 6—The British and Foreign Bible Society is cooperating with the American Bible Society in plans to furnish 7,000,000 Bibles for liberated countries in Europe and the Far East, it was announced here. Part of the need will be met by 95,000 Bibles and 250,000 New Testaments now being printed in Sweden in nine languages. Preparation of Testaments for Eastern Orthodox communities abroad is being directed in England by Canon Coleman, lecturer in Hellenistic Greek at Durham University, in collaboration with Orthodox Church scholars.

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Office-Holder Criticises Churches for Lack of Civic Consciousness

CHICAGO (RNS) July 9 — America's church-going public was sharply criticized for not participating more generally in civic affairs, in an address at Fourth Congregational Church here by Clayton F. Smith, president of the Cook County board of commissioners.

Pointing to the beginning of the Congregational Church in small New England towns, Mr. Smith observed that "neither you nor I can imagine those early settlers of this country shunning community politics as many church-goers do today. I have seen," he said, "our leading citizens shriek with indignation at what they termed a miscarriage of justice in a trial, and I have seen these same leading citizens use every artifice and excuse to evade the responsibility of sitting on the jury themselves." Mr. Smith added that "if things need cleaning up, if improvements are necessary, it is certainly the duty of those people who see the need to try to do something about it."

American Churches Will Provide Fifty Temporary Chapels for Holland

NEW YORK (RNS) July 5 — Funds to help provide fifty wooden church barracks will be sent to Holland from the American churches. A cablegram from Geneva, Switzerland, revealed that 60 Protestant churches have been completely destroyed and 40 more seriously damaged in Holland. Estimates place losses at $6,840,000. Twelve Protestant ministers died in Nazi captivity during the German occupation of Holland, and that 50 ministers and their families have "lost everything."

Lansing, Mich., Churches To Counsel Veterans

LANSING, Mich. (RNS) July 3 —A committee on spiritual counselling of returned veterans will be established here under the joint auspices of the Greater Lansing Churches and ministers. Cooperating groups will be the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Office of Veterans' Affairs, Ingham County Council of Veterans' Affairs, United States Employment Service, and Michigan State College Veterans' Administration and Guidance Division. Stated purpose of the new group will be "to aid returnees in problems involving emotional and spiritual readjustment."

Appleman-Shufelt Win A Thousand in Akron

"The Lord was mightily magnified in a magnificent three weeks revival sponsored by about thirty of the Akron, Ohio churches. There were many beyond a thousand and definite conversions and transfers of membership. Evangelist Hyman Appelman was the preacher. J. Stratton Shufelt led the singing."

Referendum On Military Training Proposed In House

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) July 3 — A national referendum on the question of compulsory peacetime military training has been proposed in a resolution introduced in the House by Rep. Dean P. Taylor (R, N.Y.), and Rep. Lawrence H. Smith (R, Wisc.) Taylor declared in a statement accompanying the resolution that Congressional committees which have conducted hearings on conscription have devoted most of their time to military "brass hats," "professors," and professional spokesmen for various religious and other groups with little thought given to the average citizen's opinion. On the other hand, he said, "Congressional mail indicates the people are far from unanimous for compulsory military training in peacetime."

The resolution declares that millions, both military and civilian, are vitally interested but that need for the legislation "has not been clearly stated and expression by the people seems highly desirable." Upon its adoption by the House and Senate, the President would certify to the Governors of the States for submission to the voters in the next Congressional election the question: "Do you favor the passage of a law by the Congress of the United States to compel one year of military training for young men in time of peace?" Voters would be called upon to reply yes or no.

"I believe that a national referendum is the most democratic method yet conceived to decide any national issue," Taylor's statement said. "Such a procedure would be in effect a national poll of public opinion, the result of which would not be binding on any individual or any body. Since the earliest date for citizens to ballot would be the spring of 1946 this poll would have the effect of delaying final decision on this momentous question for at least another year. In that period, public opinion will take more definite shape, and the people will have had time to view the facts stripped of progaganda or predudice. Perhaps the most important result that would flow from the adoption of this resolution would be the creation of an opportunity for the members of our armed forces to have a voice in the matter. A national referendum or poll would create a more satisfied and united feeling among us all, regardless of the final action on the legislation, if all of us were entitled to a say-so on this issue."

New Jersey Churches To Minister to Farm Migrants

NEWARK, N. J. (RNS) July 3 — The New Jersey Council of Churches and the Home Missions Council of North America will provide a religious and social ministry to 10,000 agricultural migrant workers in New Jersey this summer, it was announced here by Henry Reed Bowen, acting general secretary of the state council.

Negro Children To Live In White Christian Homes

CHICAGO (RNS) July 9—For the first time in Chicago's history, local Negro boys and girls will spend two weeks in the homes of downstate Illinois white families. Duplicating the Vermont experiment begun last summer, 45 Negro children, all of them members of Presbyterian churches here, will be the guests of white Presbyterian families in Ashton, Franklin Grove, Hersman, and Danvers, all small Illinois communities. They will attend a white children's vacation Bible school.

The project is directed by the Rev. Nevin Kendell, the white assistant pastor of a Negro Presbyterian church here, who stressed that the plan was a religious and social venture. The children will be guests free of charge in the white homes and will be entertained "just as if they were the out-of-town relatives of their white hosts."

Southern Presbyterians Plan New-Style Conference

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) July 2 —A series of "Faith and Action" conferences will be held throughout the South by the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. to take the place of the annual leadership training school at Montreat, N. C., cancelled this year because of ODT travel restrictions.

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Southern Baptist Evangelistic Crusade Has High Goal

An encouraging report to the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention regarding the progress of its Centennial Evangelistic Crusade has been sent to them by Dr. M. E. Dodds of Shreveport, La., director of the Crusade.

"Evangelistic fires among Southern Baptists," declared Dr. Dodds, "are burning bigger and brighter day by day, week by week and month by month. And this in spite of many hindrances, war conditions, home and church disruptions, stoppage of conventions and conferences. Reports from all sections indicate a large increase in the number of professions and baptisms. A number of churches have reached their goal of one baptism for every five members. Some have doubled, trebled, and one reports, quadrupled the number of baptisms in three months over last year. One church had over 200 baptisms in two months. One city-wide Crusade had as many baptisms during two weeks as last year. So it goes. Let's keep it going.

"We now enter the summer season when Baptists are at their best in evangelism. Let us pray and plan and promote programs that will produce real revivals. While mercy drops are falling here and there, for the showers we pray. With all that has been achieved I have not seen many signs of deep, genuine, general spiritual yearning, awakening and revival.

"Some of the things which challenge our attention are the following:

"1. The 3,000 to 4,000 churches which have had evangelistic meetings during the first five months should make early plans for their second meeting to be held during the fall. Our goal calls for 10,000 churches to hold two meetings each.

"2. Associational leaders, with maps and minutes, in hand, should make definite plans for: Getting an evangelistic meeting in each church which had no baptism last year, of which there were 6,696; Holding extension meetings in each unchurched section of the associational territory, of which we want 15,000; Making the Vacation Bible Schools definitely evangelistic. This department proposes 10,000 schools with a goal of 50,000 conversions. I hope there will be 100,000; Utilizing the social meetings - luncheons, picnics, barbecues, lawn parties, etc., of Brotherhoods, Training Unions, Missionary Societies, and Sunday School classes to invite unsaved friends with a view to winning them to Christ; Stressing continuous personal evangelism. It is alarming how few of our people (not 3 per cent) with all of their teaching and training make any effort at all to win people to Christ.

"We must create and crystallize the conviction that evangelism is the primary responsibility of every member of the church every week in the year. Too many of our people think of evangelism as a few days period of special meetings with imported help.

"Christ's plan for evangelizing the world is definitely a propaganda program. We, whose task it is to proclaim the Gospel with a view to winning others to faith in Christ as a personal Saviour and fidelity to Christ as Lord and Master, must match any other propaganda group in the utilization of every means at our disposal, the printed page, the victrola, and the radio for sending forth the Word of Life."

Salvation Army Holds Youth Conference in Old Mexico City

MEXICO CITY (RNS) July 2— A Four-day Institute for Protestant Youth was held by the Salvation Army here under the direction of Capt. Alejandro Guzman, founder of the Mexican branch. Meetings included Bible classes, group singing, and a Bible-memorizing contest.

The Salvation Army has been active in a joint Protestant campaign to distribute Scriptures among Mexican families, and during the past two years has distributed more than 2,500,000 Gospels.

New Name for Danish Evangelical Lutherans

ALBERT LEA, Minn., July 2 (RNS) — The United Evangelical Lutheran Church was adopted as the new name of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church at its annual convention here. Last year's meeting of the denomination voted unanimously to drop the word "Danish" from its title, and the decision was reaffirmed this year to make the change official.

Evangelical Church Of America to Aid Churches and Missions in Europe

Steps to re-establish contact in all the Conferences and Missions of the Evangelical Church in Europe were authorized at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions of the Evangelical Church in America. Before World War II, the Church had a membership in Europe of about 40,000.

The Committee on Post-War Planning urged an immediate appeal to recruit a large number of young men and women for evangelistic educational and medical work in the Orient. It was announced that progress was being made in raising $500,000 for rehabilitation and reconstruction of the Church's foreign missions.

Four Lutheran Bodies Plan Common Hymnal

PITTSBURGH, Pa. (RNS) July 2. — Twelve representatives of four Lutheran bodies met at a three-day conference here to study the feasibility of publishing a common Lutheran hymnal. Chiefly exploratory in character, the sessions experienced "remarkable agreement" in negotiations, it was announced.

General bodies represented at the meetings were the United Lutheran Church, American Lutheran Church, Norwegian Lutheran Church, and the Augustana Synod. They have a total membership of more than three million and constitute two-thirds of the Lutherans in America.

Advent Officials to Survey West African Missions

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 2 (RNS) — E. D. Dick, secretary of the World General Conference, and A. W. Peterson, head of the denomination's Youth Department, of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, have left from the denomination's headquarters at nearby Takoma Park, Md., for an extended visit to missions in West Africa, it was announced here officially.

They will tour mission headquarters, schools, hospitals and churches in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria and the Gold Coast, in which fields there are now some 22,000 Adventists.

Britain's King and Queen and General Montgomery Aid Church Restoration

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) July 2 — The King and Queen have sent a contribution to the $4,000,000 fund sought by the British Committee for Christian Reconstruction in Europe, it was announced here by Lord Luke, treasurer of the fund. Another gift came from Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, who sent a message wishing the Committee success in carrying out "the great work of reconstructing churches throughout Europe which have suffered such serious damage during the war."

Methodist Bishop Says Latin-Americans Do Not Oppose Protestantism

MEXICO CITY (RNS) July 2 —Reports of antagonism toward foreign missionaries in Latin America were minimized here by Methodist Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of the St. Louis area who has completed a tour of Central and South America.

Declaring he had been informed of antagonism toward Roman Catholic as well as Protestant foreign missionaries, Bishop Holt said he had received cordial treatment everywhere, and in some towns was greeted officially by committees headed by the mayor.

"In every country," he said, "there is a constitutional guarantee of religious liberty, though the attitude of some governments in Latin America is more friendly than others to Protestants. One of the great emphases in the post-war world will be on freedom of conscience and religious liberty."

Servicemen Give Millions For Chinese Missions

CHUNGKING (RNS) July 2— The American soldier's generosity is famous in China, and no one knows it better here than the Christian missions do. During a recent month a single chaplain reported gifts totalling $475 U. S. currency plus $87,825 Chinese currency to missions and missionary institutions in the Kunming area.

Captain Mert M. Lampson, who is a Methodist preacher in California in civilian life and chaplain with the U. S. Army Services of Supply in China, collected the funds from freewill gifts of American officers and men. They were distributed to the Lutheran mission, the China Inland Mission, the British Methodist mission, the Presbyterian mission, the Episcopal mission, a Kunming school, a congregation of the Church of Christ in China in that city, the Yunnan Blind and Deaf School and a girls' school for the blind. Gifts came from men of the S.O.S. 14th Air Force and Air Transport Command.

"The military forces, through freewill gifts, are making it possible for many missionary enterprises to keep going," Chaplain Lampson said. "The funds given here are often the margin which has saved work started many years ago and kept it alive."

This latest report is only one in a long series. American G. I.'s and officers have poured out gifts to charities in China which run into millions of dollars. Six months after the first chaplain arrived in this theater, Catholic and Protestant men together had given over a million and a half Chinese dollars to missions.

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Denominational Reports

Evangelical Mission Covenant Church At Chicago Convention

CHICAGO, July 2 — The annual convention of the Evangelical Mission Covenant Church of America condemned peacetime military conscription legislation now pending in Congress, and asked that action be postponed until after the war.

A budget of $100,000 for foreign missions during the coming year and an additional $80,000 for home missions was approved. A large part of the foreign missions budget will be used for repairing the denomination's missions in China bombed by the Japanese.

For the first time in the history of the church, the denomination will launch a missionary project in Latin America, according to action taken at its 60th annual convention here. It was agreed that two missionaries from Alaska should be transferred to the new field.

The Church's previously voted home missions budget of $100,000 was increased at $213,000 to allow for the construction of a children's home at Unalakleet, Alaska, and additional missionary stations.

At special ceremonies, ground was broken for a new $400,000 group of seminary buildings which the denomination is constructing on the campus of North Park College. A chapel, administration building, and a class room and dormitory building are included in the group.

The financial report revealed that the 60-year-old denomination, which was founded here, now has assets of $3,000,000. Fourteen churches in New England, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Oregon, Iowa, and Michigan were admitted to membership in the denomination, which has more than 400 churches and 60,000 members.

The Rev. Clarence A. Nelson, president of Minnehaha Academy in Minneapolis, Minn., was elected vice-president of the denomination. The Rev. Theodore W. Anderson remains as president since the position is of indefinite tenure.

Forward Steps Planned By The Pentecostal Holiness Church

The General Conference of this church which met at Oklahoma City in late June, took many forward steps. The denominational territory was divided into four districts, and two new bishops were chosen to superintend them — Joseph Alexander Synan and Hubert Talmadge Spence. The former General Board of Administration was subdivided to permit the organization of separate General Boards for Foreign Missions, Home Missions, publication, Education and Orphanage. To maintain these new boards, it was decided to ask each church to tithe its own regular gross income for this purpose in addition to the present tithe for the annual conference.

The annual budget for the denomination included $75,000 for foreign missions, $25,000 for home missions, $15,000 for education, $[illegible],000 for orphanage, $35,000 for administration, and $1,000 for the National Association of Evangelicals. This makes a total of $6.50-[illegible].00 a member. Two surprising decisions were (1) to consolidate the school program and move to a centrally located city to establish a college and a seminary; (b) to move and enlarge the publishing house, with a view to keeping the schools and publishing interests close to each other. It was estimated that it would require a per capita contribution of about $5 to finance this whole program. Newly-elected Bishop Spence is a member of the chaplaincy commission of NAE.

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Evangelical Free Church Association Holds 34th Annual Conference

Special to Evangelical Action

The 34th annual conference of the Evangelical Free Church Association (of Danish-Norwegian origin) was held in Bethany Evangelical Free Church Madison, Wisconsin, June 6 to 10.

The Rev. E. J. Johnson pastor of Salem Evangelical Free Church Chicago, Illinois, brought the opening message on the subject of "The Manifold Grace of God." The first business session was called to order on Wednesday morning at 9:30. The attendance at the business session as well as at the public sessions was very encouraging. A spirit of prayer and of unity prevailed throughout the entire conference.

Several of the services were broadcast over two of the local stations. This ministry was made possible by the generosity of an interested individual, thus was no expense to the conference.

A number of foreign missionaries were in attendance and also it was our joy to have the General Director of the Scandinavian Alliance Mission, Rev. T. J. Bach with us part of a day. Mr. Mike Peterson, General Director of Home Missions for the Evangelical Free Church Association, reported to the conference on his work during the past year. He told of great need and great opportunities for mission work, especially on the Canadian field. Rev. Arthur Jensen, returned missionary to Africa, was called by the Board on Home Missions for a period of intense evangelistic effort in the various churches of the Association. This ministry is made possible through the gifts of interested Christian business men.

The following officers were elected to serve for this coming year: Rev. R. Bernsten, Muskegon, Mich., President; Mr. O. O. Odegaard, Staten Island, N. Y., First Vice President; Mr. Joseph Hornass, Muskegon, Mich., Second Vice President; Rev. E. S. Eielsen, New Haven, Conn., Secretary; Mr. Arthur Dyrness, Chicago, Ill., Treasurer.

The next annual conference will be held at the Evangelical Free Church, West Orange, N. J., the second week in June, 1946.

Dr. J. Brougher Re-Wed By Two Preacher Sons

Dr. James Whitcomb Brougher, co-pastor with his son James Whitcomb Brougher, Jr., of the First Baptist Church of Glendale, Calif., was married at Beverly Hills, Calif., to Mrs. Margaret Townsend Woods by his two minister sons, Dr. James Whitcomb Brougher, Jr., and Dr. Russell Morse Brougher. The ceremony was in the Beverly Hills home of Dr. Brougher's daughter, Mrs. Norman Buist. Dr. Brougher is 75, and his bride, a widow, is 55. The first Mrs. Brougher died six years ago.

It Seems to Make a Difference

A preacher friend, relates the Moody Monthly, told of this experience: He recently met a prominent citizen of his community whom he had noticed in attendance at his church on several occasions. At this meeting he questioned him as to his church membership, by way of introducing a more important question. The man responded: "Oh, I belong to Dr. Blank's church. When I want to hear about Dumbarton Oaks I go to my own church. When I want to hear about God, I go to yours." Enough said!

Christian Reformed Church Synod At Grand Rapids

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (RNS) —Members of the Christian Reformed Church were warned at its annual Synod here against joining labor unions, business groups or any other organization considered by the denomination to engage in "un-Christian activities." If a church member does belong to such an organization, it was stated, and does not "reprove vigorously" any un-Christian action contemplated or taken by the organization, he is "as guilty as though he had committed the un-Christian act himself, and therefore is subject to church discipline."

Family quotas for contributions to the Church's causes during 1946 were raised to $19, an increase of about $5.00, and the Synod voted to allocate $2 of every $13 received to radio broadcasting, double the amount used for this purpose last year.

President Truman was commended for "his public profession of dependency upon Almighty God in carrying out the responsibilities of his office."

It was voted to name four more missionaries to the Indian field in New Mexico, and two more to Nigeria. Major Bernard Voss, M. D., now a flight surgeon in Arizona, was assigned to China as a medical missionary as soon as he is free to accept the appointment.

Churches of the denomination were urged to help rehabilitation in the Netherlands, particularly in rebuilding and repairing churches, and were also asked to contribute liberally to relief agencies for helping people of all war-devastated areas.

The Gideons were commended to the churches for moral and financial support upon condition that the money contributed is used only for the distribution of Bibles and Testaments.

Georgia's Proposed New Constitution Interesting to Church People

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) July 2 —A comprehensive tax exemption clause covering church-owned and other property is included in a proposed new state constitution approved by the 1945 Georgia Legislature for submission to the electorate in a statewide election on August 7.

The clause also permits exemptions for colleges, academies or seminaries, provided they are open to the general public, and that "all endowments to institutions established for white people shall be limited to white people, and all endowments to institutions established for colored people, shall be limited to colored people."

Several other provisions of direct or indirect religious interest are included in the proposed new basic law. One section of its Bill of Rights stipulates that "no inhabitant of this state shall be molested in person or property, or prohibited from holding any public office, or trust."

Another section provides that "no money shall ever be taken from the public treasury, directly or indirectly, in aid of any church, sect, or denomination of religionists, or of any sectarian institution."

In another clause, the new constitution provides: "All lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets, are hereby prohibited; and this prohibition shall be enforced by penal laws."

Evangelical And Reformed Church At Cleveland

The Evangelical and Reformed Church will seek $2,000,000 for its war relief and rehabilitation fund an increase of $800,000 over the amount set last year, it was decided at a meeting here of the denomination's General Council.

It was announced that Dr. L. W. Goebel, president of the Church, would undertake an immediate survey trip to Germany, Switzerland, and Hungary in cooperation with the World Council of Churches, to study European needs to which the denomination's fund will be allocated.

The Council urged members of the Church "to support policies designed to provide immediately for material relief for the devastated regions of Europe, even though such relief involve further restrictions on food and other supplies for ourselves."

Denominational officers were instructed to develop programs to educate church members to support of this action, and to make presentations to Congressmen and appropriate. federal and United Nations agencies.

Dr. David D. Baker, editor of The Messenger, official organ of the Church, has been granted a summer leave of absence to direct a work project under the American Friends Service Committee at the European refugee camp at Oswego, N. Y. Composed of college men and women, the Friends group will organize a recreational and community program for the refugees given sanctuary more than a year ago by the U. S. Government.

Rev. Hatcher Addresses Warrensburg Churches

Special to Evangelical Action

WARRENSBURG, N.Y., July 7 —Rev. Melville G. Hatcher, secretary for Evangelism of NAE., met with a cordial reception in churches of this area during his tour of this region early last month. On Sunday morning, June 3, he spoke in the Baptist Church of Thurman, which has recently been reopened. After one of his sound evangelistic messages, he spoke of NAE., and followed it up with another talk during the Sunday school period.

The evening of the same day Mr. Hatcher spoke at the First Baptist Church of Warrensburg, of which Rev. Eldon A. Winans is pastor, with a gospel message and an informational talk on NEA principles, purposes, and plans. Rev. May L. Haight, pastor of the Baptist Church at Knowlhurst, and Rev. R. W. Entwistle, pastor of the Baptist Churches both of Brant Lake, and Adirondack, were present with representatives of their churches. It is expected that this entire group of churches, besides individuals from churches of other denominations of this vicinity, will join the National Association of Evangelicals.

All Records Broken In Bible Distribution

The largest total distribution in the history of the American Bible Society—12,403,541 Bibles, Testaments, Gospels and other Bible portions—was recorded during 1944, it was stated in its annual report.

Former Secretary of State Cordell Hull has been elected a vice-president. Among figures reported on Bible distribution were: a circulation during 1944 of 825,857 whole Bibles, larger by 65 per cent htan in any previous year; a total of 7,170,869 Scriptures for the men and women of the armed forces; and a new circulation record in Latin America —3,615,020 volumes. Distribution of the Scriptures to prisoners of war on all fronts totaled 306,109 volumes.

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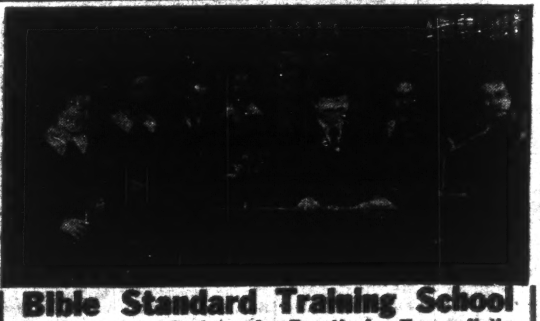

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Dean Of Chicago University Divinity School Scores Theological Seminaries

Believing that nothing that can be said of any institution in criticism is as likely to be as true, as criticisms which come from the inside, we introduce this school and college section of this issue with the following despatch issued by the Religious News Service, under date of June 28:

CHICAGO, (R.N.S.) June 28—Seminaries in the United States need a drastic overhauling because ministers are receiving little liberal arts and professional training and in some cases are not as well educated as members of their own congregations, Dr. Ernest C. Colwell, dean of the University of Chicago divinity school, told the university's citizens' committee at its monthly meeting here.

Dr. Colwell, vice-president of the university and head of its federated theological faculty, declared that the ministry is "definitely not a learned profession. On the basis of the quantitative test—so beloved of educators—Protestant ministers have not had much education," he said. "White ministers average 1.8 years in college and average 1.6 years of professional education."

He expressed pessimism about any improvement because of "ecclesiastical control, the emphasis on skill courses, and the rapid growth of sects with prejudices against education. "American Protestantism is amazingly fertile as far as the multiplication of denominations are concerned," he explained, "but unfortunately most of the sects which have sprung up during the past 50 years are anti-intellectual and anti-education."

The theologian asserted that seminary curricula are often inferior to the ordinary college curriculum, and blamed church trustees and elders in part for the problem. "So many laymen insist that clergymen have courses in accounting, budget management, the supervision of young people's picnic, premarital counselling and such subjects that seminaries have added them while minimizing theology, comparative religion and the regular liberal arts training," he stated and warned that "the concentration upon other functions of the ministry has reached ominous proportions."

Believing that the minister should be an intellectual leader as well as servant of his people, Dr. Colwell said that revitalized religion is impossible without a revitalized theology.

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Disagreeing thoroughly with Dean Colwell's contention that the smaller, newer "sects" are obscurantists, "with prejuduces against education", and "anti-intellectual and anti-education," we offer the statements and advertising published in this issue as "exhibit A", to prove that he is mistaken. We would be willing to have a survey made of the educational equipment of conservative ministers, yes even of those only of these newer groups, in the belief that that average intellectual training will exceed the 1.6 years which he quotes. With most of the rest of his statements we are in hearty accord, especially with its concluding sentence. It is fortunate that he recognizes the need of a "revitalized", not a revised, theology. The New Testament, Apostles' Creed theology for which the NAE. stands is the centuries old Christian theology. Perhaps Dean Colwell does not realize that it is because what theology the seminaries have been teaching in recent years is their own brand of de-vitalized, decentralized man-made religion which has forgotten that Christian theology must center about its Christ, the God-Man on a cross, to possess the vitality for which he yearns. The schools advertised in our columns do not have courses in the subjects for which he, unjustly we believe, places the responsibility on laymen, but they do teach, upon the basis of the Word of God, the Spiritinspired and vitalized theology for which he pleads.

Because Dr. A. J. Gordon, the conservative leader of several generations back, realized the need of education for Christian theology to equip ministers and missionaries as even in those days the seminaries were no longer doing, he gathered together a little group of students to organize the College and Missionary Training School which now, bearing his name, as Gordon College, is known throughout the nation. Dr. Gordon's son, Ernest Gordon, in an article some months ago in the Sunday School Times quoted the president of one of our New England theological seminaries as saying that, strange as it may seem, few of the graduates of this institution, are very familiar with the English Bible.

Seminaries do need "drastic overhauling", unless it is now too late for them to function as the founders of Andover Seminary, America's first "professional" graduate theological school, planned to have them function. Their place has been very generally been superseded by the Bible Schools (originated by another once-despised conservative, D. L. Moody) which are not complaining of inadequate instructors, nor insufficient students, but instead need larger buildings and increased income to enable them to provide for the eager young people, many of them from "sects" which are declared to be "anti-education."

A recent survey of Eastern theological seminaries disclosed the amazing revelation that in most cases they were no longer turning out ministers, but successive generations of teachers. The undergraduate body of these schools often was exceeded by those seeking post-graduate degrees, sometimes even men in their 70's, and in many cases was so small as to equal the number of members of the faculty. Perhaps few people in the churches realize that their contributions for seminaries are actually to a very large extent, merely training college and seminary professors and enabling pastors as well as others, to add some cryptic letters to their names.

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Cleveland Bible College is approved by the Department of Education of Ohio and is authorized to confer the Th. B. degree, which is recognized scholastically by State authorities as a college degree, collateral with the A.B., B.S., Ph.B., or other college degrees. It is also approved by the United States Office of Education.

Cleveland Bible College is not attempting to enter the field of general education. It is holding fast to its original calling to train and equip Christian workers for service. It is dedicated to the sacred task of sending forth laborers into the harvest.

Nearly all classes meet during the morning hours. This gives students, who find it necessary to do so, the opportunity to find part-time employment.

The college owns several buildings in which apartments are available for married couples. Single students may find living accommodations in the school dormitories.

The college maintains a dining room which has a reputation for furnishing good substantial food. Members of the large Cleveland Bible College family enjoy the good Christian fellowship found here.

William Jennings Bryan University

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Birmingham Bible Institute

This school, of which Rev. Glenn W. Tingley, A.B., Th.B., pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle of Birmingham, Ala., is president, has recently added Rev. J. Furman Miller, M.A., to its staff as dean. Other improvements to be noted are an enlarged music department and several new teachers added to the staff. The Institute is making many plans for expansion of its work, including a large building program. Young people considering entering school may well weigh the advantages of a location in a large city in affording time for part-time earnings, and also for offering opportunities for practical Christian work.

The day school starts its fall term September 6, and the evening school on the following day. Christian workers, young or old, who cannot take work in residence may well consider also the correspondence courses which are available with Dr. William Evans, well-known Bible teacher as director. Five subjects are available, at five dollars for each course: Mastering the Contents of the Bible; The Great Doctrines of the Bible; Personal Soul-Winning; Biblical Introduction; and How to Prepare Sermons and Bible Addresses.

Greenville College in Building Program

Greenville College is now building a four-story annex, 36' x 70', to the Carrie T. Burritt Girls' Dormitory. The first story is to house the new Home Economics Department and supplementary dining room. That department will be headed by Mrs. Ruth Hamilton, A.M., from Kansas State College. The other three stories will provide dormitory rooms for fifty young women. The building is of fire-proof construction, consisting of brick, steel, tile, and concrete.

Approximately two-thirds of the $125,000 fund for the new Memorial Library has been pledged and more than $56,000 of it has been paid. If building conditions permit, this structure is to be built during 1946. It is to be 60' x 108', of red brick with stone trim. It will be an up-to-date library building of such size that the shelving capacity can be varied from 30,000 to 40,000 volumes. The seating capacity can be varied up to a total of 250 students at one time, as the need may arise.

The construction of these two buildings is a part of a program outlined by the campus planning committee and the board of trustees.

Open Bible Institute

R. Bryant Mitchell, Dean

The Open Bible Institute was founded by Rev. and Mrs. John R. Richey in 1930, as a result of a revival in the city of Des Moines, Iowa, and is now in its fifteenth year of progress. Last year there were 185 students enrolled.

There are both Day School and Night School classes given, with a three-year general course comprising four majors in the Day School. Majors now available are Music, Christian Education, Missionary and Ministerial.

The School is located in the heart of a revival center, with ten cooperating churches providing church homes and outlets for practical evangelistic experience for the students. A new school building, which was started in 1938 will be enlarged and completed this year. About forty graduates from the school are now serving as missionaries as well as many others who are serving as pastors, evangelists and church workers in the homeland.

Rev. Frank W. Smith, General Chairman of the Open Bible Standard Churches, Inc., and pastor of the First Church of the Open Bible, has served as President for the past seven years, and the Rev. R. Bryant Mitchell has served as Dean for the past ten years. Mr. Mitchell is also a member of the N.A.E. Board of Directors.

One of the unique features of the Open Bible Institute program is the fact that every book in the Bible is taught by some method within the three-year course. Special emphasis is laid upon evangelism and the training of students to construct new churches and hold successful revival meetings. Many of the students themselves have had previous outstanding conversions before feeling the call to the ministry.

There are twelve members of the Faculty, all of whom are ministers of the Gospel, having had years of experience as evangelists and pastors, or officials of church organizations.

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The university will not nominationally controlled persons committed to the ples of the university are found not in one denom alone but in many. There members of seven denomi groups in the present Bo Trustees. The Board is at engaged in selecting prosp faculty members. In the first it is probable that courses will restricted to the college of art with graduate work offered such subjects as history and phil osophy. As soon as possible other schools, such a Education, Business and Law, will be added. The university will probably be educational.

Tuition and room rent have yet been determined, but they will be comparable to those of other universities. The dormitories accommodate approximately hundred twenty-five students, it is expected that additional rooms will be available in the community surrounding the campus.

The securing of a first-cl faculty, as well as the procuring of books and equipment make it impossible to name a specific date for the opening of classes. However, the fall of 1946 is possible.

Bob Jones College

Eleven or twelve years ago, this college removed from Florida, where it had been founded, to Tennessee. The student body approximates 1200. It has had an increase of 75 per cent in enrollment during the past three years. Last year new buildings were constructed to house 180 girls, for home economics laboratories, and for the wonderful Bibilical museum given by Rev. and Mrs. Frank Bowen. It now has under construction a men's dormitory to accommodate 400 boys. There is also under construction a modern four-story academic building. The student body during the past year approximated 1,200 young people. Approximately 500 are taking piano lessons, about the same number taking voice, and the entire student body public speaking. Preparation for full-time Christian service is the aim of 86 per cent of the total enrollment.

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It is hoped that one apartment can be converted into student union quarters so that students from the college may have a place to lounge and to meet and entertain guests. The possibilities for the use of the property are almost unlimited.

Purchase price of the buildings has been announced as $110,000. Of this amount $25,000 is needed in the next few months. Quick payment of the entire amount would facilitate the financial plans measurably. Again Gordon looks to Christian friends to underwrite the expansion cost, confident that the contribution of the school to the evangelizing of New England and the world will justify this investment by God's people.

Wrightman Estate

The beautiful, Wrightman Estate, former home of Mrs. Elizabeth W. Pope, is shortly to be transformed into the new home of Gordon Divinity School. Situated on two acres of attractively landscaped ground, the delightfully appointed mansion at ... Hawes street, Brookline, is ...lly suited for the new plans which revolve about it.

The edifice is constructed about a costly pipe organ, the lovely music of which penetrates to every portion of the building. There will be spacious lounges on two floors, a suite for the use of the President and his family, a large attractive chapel, a quiet library and reading room, several commodious classrooms, adequate administrative offices, basement guest-room and dormitory facilities for a score or more of students.

The estate fronts upon a small park to be maintained permanently by the city of Brookline. It is located in an elite residential section of that community, and yet is of close access to the heart of Boston by street railways, two or three blocks away. The College itself is but nine-tenths of a mile distant and can be reached in three minutes by private car.

The attractive brick building appears as though made to order for a school. One gets that impression at first sight, as though such a purpose had been in the mind of the architect. The two-story structure rises to include a third floor at one corner. It is air-conditioned throughout and heated by oil. There are two furnaces either of which is adequate to heat the entire building.

The acquisition of this estate now makes possible a much more distinct separation of the College and the Divinity School, and accords with the plans of the administration looking to separate faculties and full accreditation for both units.

The trustees are looking to friends of the evangelical cause in New England and beyond to underwrite the purchase price of $80,000. and the additional cost of furnishing the new home of the Divinity School. Several gifts of $5,000 each have already been received and it hoped that by the first of the year the entire purchase price will have been subscribed. Those who desire to invest in this great enterprise are urged to get in touch with Dr. T. Leonard Lewis, President of the College.

Gordon Needs Books

Friends of Gordon will meet another critical need, we are confident. The Library needs books and needs them badly, for in the fall it is expected that an Accreditation Committee will visit the College and inspect the Library. At that time we should have on our shelves twice as many secular books as are now there.

Send in books from your attic and spare bookshelves, or send books that will not be missed from your own personal library. Religious books will be welcomed, but the great need is for books in the fields of history, literature, psychology, philosophy, education, science, biography, music, art, sociology, and language. Perhaps the greatest need is for reference books such as dictionaries and encyclopedias, World Almanacs, sets such as the Cambridge Ancient and Medieval History, the Oxford English Dictionary and many others. Also for college textbooks used long since and forgotten.

During the summer a separate library will be created for the Divinity School and will be housed at the new location. A large proportion of the religious books will therefore be moved and the shelves freed for books in these various secular fields.

Dormitory Named

In recognition of the part played in the building of Gordon by Nathan R. Wood and Isabel Warwick Wood, the girl's dormitory at the College is hereafter to be known as Wood Hall.

Moody Bible Institute

The foreign field is the goal of nearly two-thirds of the students graduating from Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, on August 2. Out of a class of 174 young men and women, 108 expect to serve in Africa, Alaska, China, Japan, India, Island World, Latin America, Mexico, South America, and various points in Europe.

Commencement exercises will be held at 7:45 P. M. in the Moody Memorial Church, Clark street at North avenue. Dr. Stephen Paine, president of Houghton College, Houghton, New York, will be the speaker.

Class day exercises at 10:30 A. M. in the Institute's Torrey-Gray Auditorium, 840 N. LaSalle street will be conducted by the class officers.

Kansas City Bible College

It is a well known fact that after a battery is built, it must be filled with the proper substances in order that it may function. It is just as well known that a scythe, no matter how well it is made nor what fine materials are used in its construction, must have a sharp edge in order to properly mow.

The Kansas City Bible College has enlarged its facilities and its faculty in order that students who attend may be properly and efficiently equipped for the service of our Lord in the harvest fields of the world.

Dr. Walter L. Wilson, the president, insists upon strong emphasis on soul winning. Each course is designed to equip the student for helping the hearts and lives of those to whom he ministers.

Three year courses are offered in General Bible, Missions, and Christian Education. Literature will be furnished upon request.

Westminster Theological Seminary

The world is always full of fads and fancies. They are novelties which do not stand up after trial. Exegesis of the Bible, using tested methods, soon shows them to be groundless and history indicates that similar errors have deceived Christian people before this. Yet before exegesis and history have done their work and the results become known, many people are deceived. We have just passed the centenary of the famous date on which William Miller expected the Lord's return. There is no doubt that Mr. Miller was honest and sincere, but his exegesis was faulty.

Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, is set to prevent the waste and disillusionment which flow from such honest mistakes. Here men may learn sound methods in the full light of history and in complete loyalty to the infallibility of the Scriptures. The truth deserves intelligent and fair treatment.

Sterling College

The outlook for the college year soon to open is bright with promise. The Summer School now in session has an enrolment of 54 percent above the Summer School level of last year. The response to ... approaches now being made to prospective students by the field workers this summer indicates an interest which foreshadows a very ...ble increase of student attendance for next college year.

With the erection of the new $100,000 Library Building the College will be better equipped than ever before to care for the growing attendance. The new Library will stand on a prominent place near the front of the central area of the beautiful shady campus and will be of fire-proof construction, air-conditioned and up-to-date in every respect. It will house 50,000 volumes of a well selected stock of books.

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Religion In Public Schools Is Today's Vital Problem

One of the live issues of the day is that of religious instruction in public schools, and its corollary, appropriations of public funds for private school purposes, such as transportation of pupils to sectarian schools at public expense. In these matters the fundamental American issue of separation of church and state is also primarily involved. As indicated by a summary of some of these RNS stories, renewed activity of the Freethinkers of America, through its president, Joseph Lewis of New York City, seems to be chiefly responsible.

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NEW YORK—Recent moves to prevent use of public schools for religious education mark the revival of a nationwide campaign by the Freethinkers of America in opposition to what Joseph Lewis, president of the group, terms "religious interference" in education and government.

He said that protests lodged in Rochester, N. Y., and Champaign, Ill., were initiated by national headquarters of the Freethinkers, and that "I've got eight or ten more cases lying on my desk on which we plan to start suit." States in which court tests are contemplated, he said, include Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, and Washington.

The Freethinkers, Mr. Lewis stated, have been active for 15 years and more in combatting use of public schools for religious education, the "encroachment" of these classes on public school time, and the transportation of parochial school children in public school busses, and against other activities in which it is felt that religion interferes with free institutions.

George D. Stoddard, commissioner of education of New York State, ruled against religious instruction in public school of several towns in Wayne County after Arthur G. Cromwell, president of the Rochester Society of Freethinkers, had protested the classes.

At Champaign, Ill., a similar protest was made by Mr. Cromwell's daughter, Mrs. Vashti McCollum, physical education instructor in the University of Illinois. Later, dismissal of a mandamus proceeding, brought to halt religious education in the public schools there, was asked by the Board of Education of Champaign in a special motion filed in the Circuit Court. John L. Franklin, the school board's attorney, pointed out that the suit of Mrs. Vashti McCollum, involved "an alleged public right," he asserted, the court did not have jurisdiction to hear the case as such rights may only be enforced by a public officer. He asked, therefore, that the petition be dismissed.

CHICAGO—Legal action to halt Chicago's religious education program, conducted in 65 of its public schools, is planned by the Chicago Action Council, it was learned here after the Council had joined in a similar suit brought at Champaign, Ill., by Mrs. Vashti McCollum, a physical education instructor at the University of Illinois.

Protestant classes in Chicago are supervised by the Church Federation of Greater Chicago, and Catholic sessions by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Pupils are released for religious instruction one-half hour week.

Mrs. McCollum's petition, demanding that the Champaign Board of Education be required to suspend religious education classes sponsored by the Twin-City Church Council of Champaign and Urbana, was also signed by several members of the Chicago Action Council, including Rev. Randall Hilton of the Western Unitarian Conference.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Committee on Religious Life in the Nation's Capital has petitioned the District of Columbia board of education for time to provide religious education in the schools on a trial basis.

The petition, was presented to the board by Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Reformation and chairman of the Committee, who explained that the proposed program would cover pupils in a limited number of schools both white and Negro.

In presenting detailed plans, the Rev. Leo J. McCormick, of St. Michael's Church, Silver Spring, Md., representing the Baltimore-Washington Catholic diocese, stated that parents will have to give written permission before children can participate in the classes which will be held in churches or rooms designated by the churches nearest the schools. Teachers will call for the children and be responsible for them until they are returned. A course of study has been approved by the Committee.

The Rev. Frederick E. Reissig, secretary of the Washington Federation of Churches, estimated that the cost per child for instruction for a period from October 15 to May 15 would be $2 to $6, which would be financed without use of public funds.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Appointment of a special committee has been authorized by the State Council of Churches to "take all necessary action" that religious instruction "may be continued and extended in both rural and urban areas."

The committee was named after a ruling by State Education Commissioner George D. Stoddard, banned religious instruction in public schools in three towns of Wayne County.

Benjamin E. Shove, Syracuse lawyer, told the Council's directors that the law can deny the use of school property for the teaching of "denominational tenets and doctrines," but that internominational teaching on which all are agreed is a different matter.

"In a weekday religious education project on an internominational basis," he said, "we are teaching religion, and not 'denominational tenets and doctrines.'"

MADISON, Wisc.—A proposed constitutional amendment to permit transportation of parochial and private school pupils in public school buses will be submitted to the electors of Wisconsin in the form of a referendum at the general election in November of 1946.

Before approving the amendment for the second time, and thus sending it to the voters, the legislature sidetracked efforts to achieve the same objective through a simple statutory enactment. Opponents claimed such a bill would be promptly declared unconstitutional by the courts. If the voters approve the amendment their action will remove a prohibition against the expenditure of public funds for sectarian purposes that has been part of the fundamental law of the state since 1848. Although the proposition precipitated heated controversy, it received substantial majorities in both the Senate and Assembly.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—A bill to legalize religious education in the public schools of the state introduced in the Illinois House of Representatives, passed by 85-2, but met defeat in the Senate in last minute action before the State Legislature adjourned, being rejected by 20-14.

The bill, introduced by Rep. Charles W. Clabaugh, sought to amend the state school code to permit dismissal of elementary and high school pupils from regular classes for one hour each week to receive religious instruction. The measure would, at the request of parents, have added one hour weekly to the school curriculum for religious education.

Enactment of the legislation would also have made a constitutional question of the suit brought at Champaign, Ill., by Mrs. Vashti McCollum to halt released-time classes in that city.

The senate also passed and sent to the governor a bill to prohibit exclusion from public schools of any pupil because of color, race, or nationality. The vote was 30 to 0.

AUSTIN, Tex.—A bill providing for use of public school buses in the transportation of pupils to and from parochial, denominational, or private schools was vetoed by Gov. Coke R. Stevenson.

In disapproving the measure, Governor Stevenson contended it violates the concept of complete separation of church and state and civil affairs and violates the spirit and mandate of the State Constitution.

Stevenson cited Article 1, Section 7, and Article 7, Section 5 of the State Constitution as being violated by the bill. These provisions forbid the use of public funds for any sect, religious society or theological seminary and the use of school funds for purposes other than the prescribed public school expenditures.

He also noted that an opinion by the state attorney general dated Dec. 6, 1941, held that pupils of parochial schools cannot be legally transported in a public school bus.

Early this year, the American Civil Liberties Union reported that Maine's attorney general had barred sectarian religious instruction in Maine public schools, as a result of protests to Maine State Commissioner of Education.

A similar protest was also made to the Vermont Commissioner of Education but the Civil Liberties Union was informed that the state authorities had no control over local school districts. The Union announced that it was considering court action to stop the practice in the belief that it violates the principles of separation of church and state.

Czech Christians Endured Privations

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS) July 9 — Although ministers, workers, and individual members of the Church of the Czech Brethren in Czechoslovakia were subject to severe persecution by the Nazis, the Church was able to continue its labors "without betraying its fidelity to its spiritual mission," it was reported here. Many of the Church's ministers were shot by the Germans, and many others were sent to prison or concentration camps.

Archbishop of York Opposes Church Party

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) July 6 — Proposals that the Church of England form its own political party brought a vigorous protest from the Archbishop of York, Dr. Cyril Forster Garbett, who warned that "the pulpit must never be used for party purposes." He termed the proposals "madness" and said a central church party, issuing its own program and running its own candidates, would quickly result in loss of the Church's spiritual influence. The Archbishop urged church members, however, to engage in party politics "carrying into their own party their Christian convictions and seeking to find expression for them in its program and policy."

Bill Proposes Federal Aid For Schools

(Special to Evangelical Action)

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Two bills have been introduced in Congress proposing that the Federal Government subsidize elementary and secondary schools throughout the states. Some oppose both bills because they manifest what is feared may be a trend on the part of the Federal Government to assume control over state and city schools.

The first bill, known in the Senate as S181, proposes that Federal Government aid be given the states to the amount of $200,000,000 annually for teachers' salaries and $100,000,000 annually to equalize the standards of education throughout the U. S. These funds will be administered through the regular state agencies. This bill might merit approval.

A similar bill, S717, is one that should be viewed with alarm by every evangelical Christian. This bill proposes a total subsidy of $475,000,000 annually (for teachers' salaries, equalization of standards, libraries, textbooks, health facilities, student aid and transportation) for both public and NON-PUBLIC schools. This would allow an unspecified percent of this vast sum to be given to parochial and private schools as a direct subsidy.

It has been rumored about this city that the Roman Catholic Church is putting all possible pressure behind this bill S717. If this bill is forced through, their schools will stand to receive many millions of dollars. Evangelicals who believe in the separation of church and state and oppose the use of public funds to support private religious schools, should write their senator or congressman and ask him to oppose this bill.

Philippine Churches Being Re-Organized

MANILA (RNS) July 7 — The Federation of Protestant Churches, suppressed by the Japanese in favor of a puppet-controlled group, has been re-organized here. It is now making a survey of losses suffered by Protestant churches in Manila, and will report to Dr. E. K. Higdon and others of the Philippine Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, who are expected to arrive here shortly to survey needs of Protestant communities disrupted by the war.

The Federation is also planning strategic placement of new Protestant churches, and proposes to establish a Union Protestant University as soon as means are available.

German Bible House Intact

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS) July 9 — Although three large buildings of the German Bible Society at Stuttgart were demolished by Allied bombardments, it has been reported here that the Society's main office escaped damage. It was also revealed that all printing plates for the Society's principal editions of the Bible in German and Greek were stored away in deep cellars and have been recovered intact.

Argentine Protestants Would Abolish Catholic Teaching in Schools

BUENOS AIRES (By Air Mail) (RNS) July 1 — A petition asking revocation of the government's decree enforcing the teaching of the Roman Catholic religion in schools has been sent to President Edelmiro Farrell by the Argentine Federation of Evangelical Youth Groups, which embraces fifty Protestant youth organizations.

The petition is along the lines of an official statement on religious instruction drawn up last year by the Confederation of Evangelical Churches of Rio de la Plata and presented to the President at that time.

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Pastor Gerstenmaier Lead Anti-Nazi German Christians

By Antonia H. Froendt
RNS Correspondent

GENEVA, July 2 (by wireless) —Miraculously alive after taking part in the plot against Hitler in July, 1944, a hitherto little-known German Lutheran pastor, 50-year-old Eugen Gerstenmaier, has emerged as one of the key figures of the anti-Nazi movement in the German Evangelical Church. A close associate of Bishop Theophilus Wurm of Wurttemberg, Germany's outstanding Protestant leader today, Gerstenmaier was the only churchman involved in the plot against Hitler to escape with his life. He was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment in Bayreuth prison, Bavaria, but was liberated when American forces captured the town. He is now in Geneva.

Reviewing the history of the church struggle in Germany, Gerstenmaier said the first idea of the Nazis was to win the church to its side, and when that failed, the battle was on.

First phase of the anti-Christian campaign was inspired by Goebbel's injunction: "Shove them into 'ghetto churches,' intern them within their own walls. There they can preach and pray all they want to, but they are not going to poke their noses into politics." This objective was never attained, but the Nazis scored at least a partial success. Many laymen literally had their consciences narcotized by glittering propaganda. Many of the clergy lost their keenness of vision and failed to discern what was at stake. On the whole, however, the scheme failed.

Gerstenmaier's reaction to revelations of conditions in the Nazi concentration camps is similar to that expressed by other church leaders in Germany. When he was asked if the German people knew of these camps, he replied: "I do not believe so. We all knew vaguely about terrible things happening behind barbed wires, but no one really believed anything of this kind could actually happen. I was in the Gestapo prison at Tegel before I was transferred to Bayreuth, and certainly have no illusions about them, but I saw nothing to compare with the pictures I saw in a cinema here."

Free Church Mission Society Rally Draws Crowd In Sweden

STOCKHOLM (By Wireless) (RNS) July 2 — The Swedish Missionary Society, largest Free Church association in the country, reported a record attendance of 1,000 delegates at its annual conference here. Guests included representatives of missionary groups in other Scandinavian countries.

One of the principal speakers was Christian Svedsen, of the Norwegian Missionary Association, who said: "We Christians must not yield today or allow the pure Gospel to be thinned out. We face a new golden era in foreign missions. In Norway, we are ready to send out twenty new missionaries. In the Fall we shall renew the training of preachers which was forbidden by the Nazis."

Svedsen, who was once sentenced to prison for denouncing Nazi plans to control Norwegian youth, revealed that he made two secret visits to Bishop Eivind Berggrav while the latter was under house arrest at his summer cottage at Asker, near Oslo.

Jehovah's Witnesses Gain German Adherents

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS) July 2 — The Jehovah's Witnesses sect is "going strong" in Germany and has launched a vigorous evangelization campaign throughout the country, according to reports here. The sect is said to have won widespread admiration for its resistance to the Nazi regime. Hundreds of members were reported "liquidated" in concentration camps.

Laywoman Boldly Opposes Modernist English Churches

That Modernists are disturbing the churches of Britain just as they are disrupting those of America, is indicated by a recent wireless from London, where Mrs. Eric Coombs, a London member of the Church of England Assembly was loudly acclaimed when she protested against "the vague theology" underlying the British Council of Churches and complained of the "frittering of money in small ways when greater needs remain unmet."

She had moved to reduce by 250 pounds a 1,275 pound grant proposed for the Council.

"It is true," the Archbishop of Canterbury said, in reply, "that there will not be found in the documents of the Council a full statement of the Anglican doctrine at its highest. That is not the purpose for which the Council exists." Remarking that Mrs. Coombes' objection was said to be based on principle, the Archbishop argued that the logical outcome of this stand would be for the Assembly to disallow any grant at all.

"If the Assembly did this," he added, "I should have to consider whether I preferred being president of the British Council of Churches or Archbishop of Canterbury."

Church circles here indicated that critical attitudes toward the British Council of Churches are found in most denominations where small minorities fear compromising of principles.

The general body of church members, it was said, in the main are poorly informed as to the Council's work.

Lutherans Oppose Bingo in Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., (RNS) July 2. — National presidents of three Lutheran bodies with headquarters here have protested a proposal to legalize bingo in the city when conducted under auspices of religious, charitable, and fraternal organizations.

Dr. P. O. Bersell, president of Augustana Lutheran Synod, expressing opposition of the city's 25 Augustana churches, said enactment of the ordinance "would be an insult to the Christian Church."

Dr. J. A. Aasgaard, president of Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, told the council "we don't want to legalize even the so-called milder forms of gambling."

Dr. T. O. Burntvedt, president of Lutheran Free Church, declared the proposal is "an unworthy method of raising money" and it "breathes moral laxity for law and order." He claimed moral conditions in Minneapolis "are known far and wide to be dangerously low."

Opposition to the ordinance also was expressed by Dr. Nils Kleven, president of the Southern Minnesota district of the NLCA: Dr. Emil Swenson, president of the Minnesota Conference of the Augustana Synod, and by officials of the North Side Church Athletic Association.

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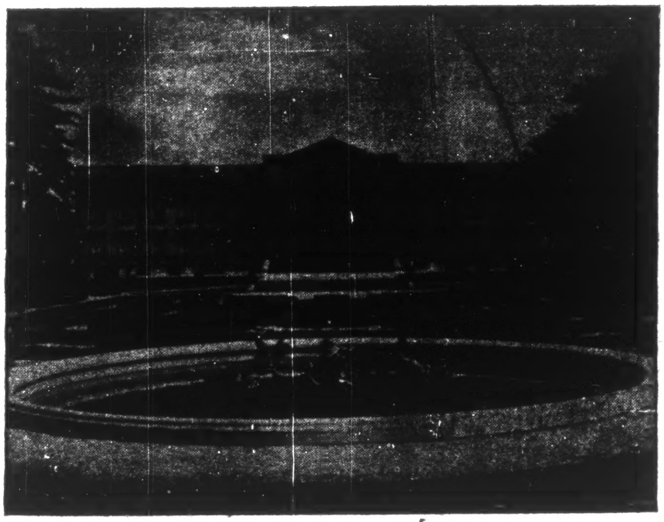

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THEN AND NOW

Has evangelical Christianity the solution for the problems of our day? Thousands of people are asking that question—some with grave doubts in their hearts. We have no hesitancy in answering with a positive affirmative.

First, because the problems of our days are essentially the same as they were when Christianity was born. When the New Testament was written the civilization of the day was decaying. Politically, the great Roman Empire was cracking at the foundations. The emperors were making one last frantic effort to save the state they had built on selfishness and greed. But every thinking man could see that "Ichabod" was written all over it. Intellectually, it was decadent. Plato had endeavored to satisfy the deeper longings of the human mind by providing an escape from the world of sense to the higher world of ideas, but he had not gone far enough. The thinkers were turning hopelessly to the Epicurean doctrine, "Eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die." Religiously, the people had been disillusioned about their anthropomorphic Olympian deities. The altars of Zeus were deserted and Lucian was putting the finishing touches on religion in his Satires.

Our day is an almost exact parallel. Politically, the nations are decaying. Our boasted international order is already being criticized and doubted. Another global war would destroy civilization. Intellectually, we have fed on Darwin and Dewey until we are sick, and we are turning toward modern cynicism, stoicism and epicureanism. Religiously, we are aware of wholesale desertion of the altars where formerly burned the fires of the true Christian faith, but where now glitter only the modern theologies, liturgies and vacuities of men.

In the first instance Christ, God manifest in the flesh, was the solution. Phoenix-like there arose from the ashes of the old Roman Empire a kingdom of born-again men and women who changed the world. Christ did not give mankind the psychological formula of a new defeatism. He gave the secret of transforming power of God in the life. It is still ours today. It can set in motion a new spirit in a hesitant church. It and it alone can give us a better world. Just as the people of God marched to victory through the utter confusion and hopeless disillusionment of the early centuries of the Christian era, so they can march to victory today.

These are challenging days for evangelicals. Are we able? His is able!

James De Forest Murch

What about Youth for Christ?

Our caption is the title of an article appearing in the June 20 issue of the Christian Century. It was written by Harold E. Fey. If the writer believed he was succeeding in producing a fair appraisal of the movement he is mistaken. If the intent was to give the liberals of the nation their cue to start a campaign of disapproval it will probably succeed.

Up to the present time this rapidly-developing movement has been subject to comparatively little unfriendly criticism—surprisingly little, we would say. But of course such criticism would be sure to appear sooner or later. An examination of this attempt to discredit the work will be worth while.

The leadership is brought under scrutiny with this comment: "Its leaders are men under forty whose educational equipment was acquired in high schools and in fundamental institutes and Bible colleges of the Moody type." The fact is that the most prominent leaders are in most cases graduates of liberal arts colleges. Several have graduate degrees. It is true that a considerable number also are graduates of Bible institutes. It is significant that the writer admits the spiritual hunger of the people and that "the churches are not feeding these starving people" (by which he, of course, means the leadership of the churches), in spite of all their ecclesiastical training. It would seem that, without intending to do so, he has made a good case for the Bible institutes of the "Moody type." Evidently God is passing up the sort of leadership produced by those in the Christian Century circle and picking the men from the despised Bible colleges when a great work needs to be done.

Mr. Fey reported that in several meetings he attended he "heard the name of God mentioned rarely and the name of Christ used incessantly." He might have added that in many of the liberal churches where the condition of spiritual starvation of which he speaks exists (and where no revival is in evidence) there is little mention of God and no mention of Christ except as an example.

Mr. Fey says that in these meetings "repentance is not mentioned."

We challenge the truth of this statement. However, in all our evangelical preaching we need to admit that the preaching of repentance and restitution is not sufficiently emphasized. Let us take this criticism to heart and give these things the place of prominence they deserve.

The article closes with a comparison of the rugged preaching of Jonathan Edwards, Francis Asbury and Dwight L. Moody with that of the Youth for Christ speakers—to the latter's disadvantage. In regard to this matter it is well to realize that even the usual type of evangelistic meeting. They are deliberately planned to be entertaining as well as spiritually helpful, filling up the evening of all evenings of the week when temptations are greatest with something which will satisfy the natural craving of young people for "a good time." They are being taught that spiritual fellowship in Christ is the very best kind of a good time.

It is astonishing to note an exponent of modernism, in the magazine which has become a mouthpiece of modernist propaganda, paying tribute to the preaching of Edwards, Asbury and Moody. But then, these great evangelists are dead and gone. It has ever been popular to "garnish the tombs of the prophets" while stoning those who still live and work in our midst for the propagation of the same message for which they were persecuted by the "liberals" of their day.

J. Elwin Wright

Many Other Preachers Need A Dog Like This

Even when the laugh is on a preacher, ministers enjoy hearing or telling a good story. This is one to laugh over.

"After I had spoken at a well-known institution and the headmaster and I were coming out of the building, we were greeted by a very friendly dog. My friend remarked that this was his 'church dog.' Then he explained that his brother was a minister and that the dog followed him to church every Sunday, lay down near the pulpit, went to sleep and bothered nobody until the city clock struck 12. At the stroke of the clock he began to wag his tail up and down so energetically that he could be heard all over the church as the tail and floor came together. Then, if the minister did not stop, the dog would get up and yawn and look up wistfully at the minister. To his mind it was time to quit and go eat. My friend said that when he told this story once to a lady whose membership was in another church, she exclaimed: 'Oh, if that dog ever has any puppies, won't you please send one to our minister!'"

Ohio Defeats Bill To Aid Christian Scientists

COLUMBUS, Ohio, (RNS) June 29—A bill to legalize the charging of fees by Christian Science practioners in Ohio has again been relegated to the graveyard. Its supporters report they've been trying to put the measure into Ohio law for about 40 years. Defeated in the house on May 15 by a lack of 10 votes, the bill was reconsidered and this time turned down by [illegible] to 60.

Kansas City Priest Aids Young Couples

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (RNS) July 1. — On the 45th anniversary of his priesthood the Very Rev. Msgr. John W. Keyes set aside $30,000 which will be used as a fund to aid young married couples financially with regard to the birth of children. Medical and hospital fees for childbirth that amount to more than $60 will be assumed through the St. Vincent's Hospital. A $10,000 fund to help wives of soldiers in maternity cases was established by the priest 18 months ago.

Roving Reporter

The summer conference ... is in full swing, and the reports drifting in, indicate the greatest season yet in attendance. ... Rumney four weeks of conferences are being held instead of the usual two. ... fed the first week and the registration for each of the ... three weeks is already ... than for the first. Many ... sions are reported. One of the leaders said that, so far as known, every single young person in attendance went ... with a personal testimony ... having accepted Christ, ... during the conference or at ... previous time.

Rev. Clyde W. Taylor of ... Washington office was in attendance at the July meeting of the ... national Central Committee, ... in Boston. He reported progress in the plans for a Constitutional Convention of representatives of evangelical mission boards to ... held in Chicago September ... and 19 (travel conditions permitting). Larger quarters for ... office in Washington are being sought to relieve the congestion and enable NAE to carry ... expanding program.

A considerable number of nationally known youth leaders will be in attendance at a Youth for Christ Conference at Winona Lake, Indiana, July 22 to ... that time it is expected ... Youth for Christ International will be formally launched as ... organization.

Over 4,000 passports are being held up at the State Department in Washington because of a shortage of personnel to handle the applications. In the NAE ... about 40 missionaries have been assisted in obtaining passports during the months of May ... June.

An unusually large number of applications for assistance in planning NAE conferences ... autumn and winter are being received at the national office from our local and regional committees.

It will seem unusually ... at the Boston office after the ... of July, when the U.E.A. office ... removed to its new quarters ... Cincinnati. Mr. Charles Campbell, the advertising manager, will follow the office to its new location and will be greatly missed. Rev. G. E. Richter, ... Fall River, who has been helping with editorial work, will return to his other duties. Miss ... Brooks, our office secretary, ... remain in Boston and be engaged in a similar capacity elsewhere. All our readers will await the first appearance of U.E.A. in ... new form with interest. Comments are invited.

W.C.T.U. Plans To Aid Young Offenders

EVANSTON, Ill., June 27 ... The Woman's Christian Temperance Union announced today ... start of a nation-wide drive ... establishment of local detention homes to separate young wrong-doers from hardened criminals.

Grace Matheson, WCTU ... tary, said the move was designed "to get children out of ... which, at best, are schools of crime for juveniles."

The drive will be conducted by the WCTU's Youth Temperance Council and directed by ... Grant M. Hudson of ... Mich., director of the ... Department of Christian [illegible] ship.

High School Students Introduce Spiritual ...

SAN FRANCISCO (RNS) ... 2 — Washington High school seniors here introduced a new spiritual note into their graduation ceremonies by holding ... services at 7:15 a. m. ... and teachers joined the students in worshipping at St. ... Episcopal church, St. ... Catholic church, and Congregation Chevra Thilim, all adjacent to the school. "It was all voluntary, but everyone was enthusiastic," said a student member of the committee in charge.

Comments on Here and Hereafter

By BOB JONES, Sr.
Founder and President of Bob Jones College

Sometime ago Dr. H. A. Iron-, pastor of the great Moody morial Church in Chicago, and our minds one of the great ble teachers and preachers of day, speaking at the annual ble Conference program of Bob nes College, used a striking ustration. He said something e this: "Sometime ago I en- d the Hotel Pennsylvania in w York City and noted at the k a sign, 'No accommodations thout confirmed reservations'. was all right because I had a nfirmed reservation. People in e went up to register and were rned away, but I was not dis- rbed. I had a confirmed reser- tion. I walked up to the desk, s given a key, and the bellboy k me to my room." Dr. Iron- e used this to emphasize that we have a home in heaven the ervation must be arranged be- e we get there. It was a very teresting illustration. It made profound impression on all.

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A few days ago the writer also tered the same hotel carrying his hand a card confirming a ervation which had been made e month before, and stood in e for an hour waiting. At last got to the desk. The room rk said, "Doctor, we cannot as- n you a room until six o'clock." e told him that would be all ht. At 5:30 he returned and od in line for two hours and half waiting for his assignment ly to be informed that we could t get a room. They did not pro- e a room even though there d been a confirmed reserva- n. We complained that that s not right. The clerk said, e did not know how many ms would be vacant." "But you eed to give us a room. We are e on the basis of that agree- nt. We cannot sit up all night d do our work." The clerk d, "I am sorry." So the writer t to bed on a cot. He did not much sleep because there was much noise. During the night, le trying to sleep we said to selves, "That was a good illus- tion, but it now breaks down. e did have a confirmed reservation but we did not get a room". But our reservation was confirmed by a human being. Human beings make mistakes and break contracts. Our reservation in heaven is made by One Who never said, "I will if I can," or "I think I can do it." It was made by One Who said, "Heaven and earth may pass away, but my words shall not pass away." The Pennsylvania Hotel did not keep faith but broke a contract upon which the writer depended. But the Lord Jesus Christ never breaks contracts.

When we walk up to heaven's desk with our title to a mansion in the sky, a title secured with the blood which He shed on the cross, we shall not only have a place reserved for us, but it will be one which our Lord, Himself, has prepared. He said, "I go to prepare a place for you." And then He assures us that when the place is prepared He will return again and receive us unto Himself. We are to be where He is. The sort of home our Lord is to live in will be our home, too.

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The writer believes in separation of church and state. He thinks we have in America the best form of government in the world. However, sometimes people are inconsistent in positions which they take to preserve the separation of church and state. Sometime ago the Board of Education in a community in a southern state, refused to allow placques of the Ten Commandments to be hung in public school buildings. This is going too far. The laws of all civilized lands are built upon the Ten Commandments. The youth of this nation needs to read the Ten Commandments. Respect for the Commandments is necessary to the stability of our land. In schools and colleges over America things contrary to the Ten Commandments are often permitted. Some teachers who are opposed to injecting religion into our school systems inject atheism, scepticism, and agnosticism into their teachings. Yet here is the report of a school that would not even permit the Ten Commandments to be put on the wall in school. This is going too far.

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The writer heard Dr. H. J. Ockenga in an address at the Moody Church in Chicago not long ago say that in the city of Boston Roman Catholic priests are permitted to go into the school rooms and explain the rosary, beads, and the insignias of that Church. The address, which was based on the encroachment of the Catholic hierarchy upon our institutions was published in most of the great dailies over America through the Associated Press and other news agencies. It is necessary to watch that no group encroach upon our public school system. The writer would seriously object to a priest injecting anything favorable to Catholicism in one of the schools where one of his children was enrolled. We would object to a Jewish rabbi trying to sell Judaism to his children. Jews and Catholics have the same right to object to Protestants going into public schools, and injecting Protestantism under the official protection of a school board. We should all play the game fair. Separation of church and state is important to all the religious groups of America. This should be preserved. Under one system of government it is in the interest of all religious groups whether Protestant or Jewish or Catholic.

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The Ten Commandments, according to the Protestant understanding, have to do with morals. No person in his entire lifetime has always in his heart kept the law of God. The Bible says all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Every man who is honest and sane knows that at sometime in life he has broken some of God's law. So we are saved not by keeping the law, but by trusting Him who knew no sin—the One who always did keep the law and the One who died on the cross to save us. We Christians do not keep the law to be saved. We endeavor to keep it because we are saved. We are saved by grace, and not by works. There is, however, a great need for emphasis upon the Ten Commandments as a restraining influence on the lives of all people regardless of whether they are Christians or not. The Commandments are from God. They are not to be treated lightly or disregarded even by wicked men. No man by any effort he makes to keep the commandments can be saved. This generation with its moral looseness certainly needs restraint. So there should be a new emphasis in our day on the Ten Commandments.

William Randolph Hearst's Editorial Endorsement Of "Youth For Christ"

The editorial which follows appeared in the Hearst newspapers during the first week in July and is indicative of Mr. Hearst's genuine interest in "Youth for Christ."

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Many a delinquent is simply a youngster, who, at a critical moment, has been turned by some slight influence away from his right instincts, or toward bad habits.

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Youth is gregarious, laughter-loving, active, hungry for approval, desirous of honor, generous in its impulses.

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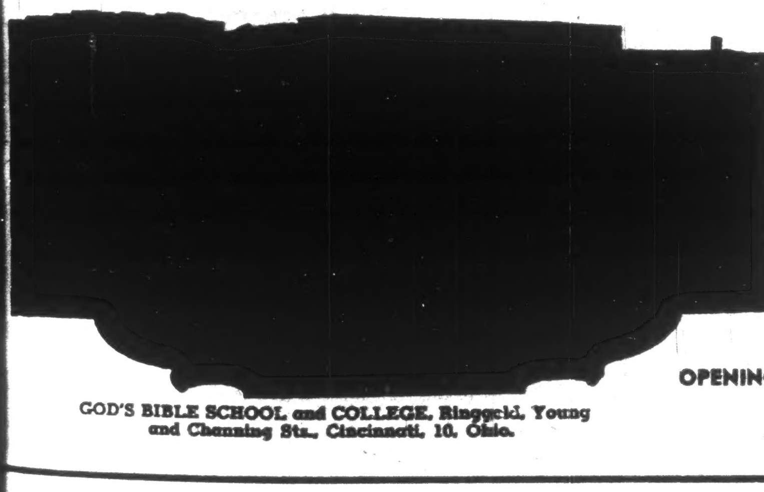

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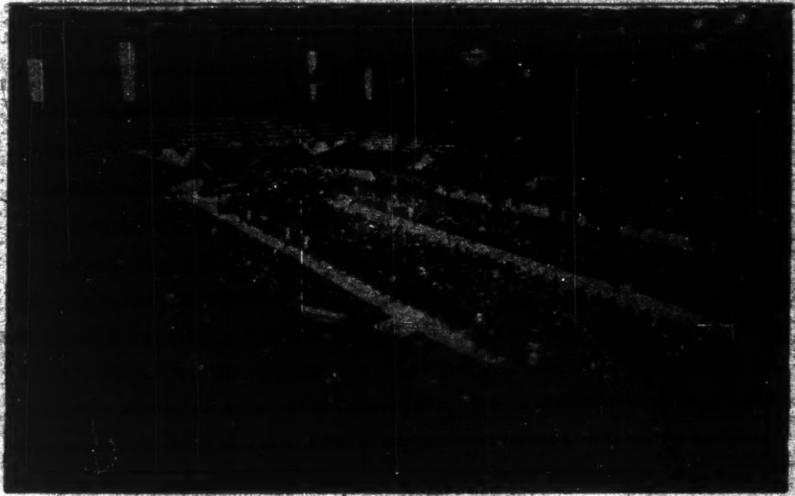
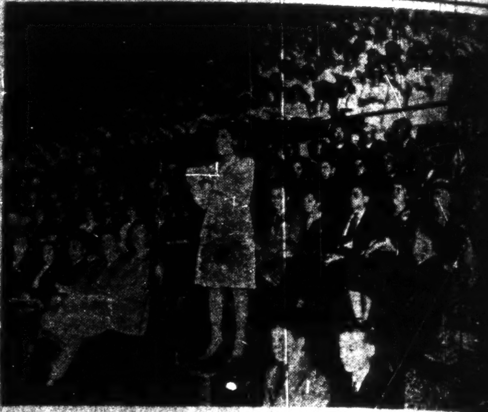
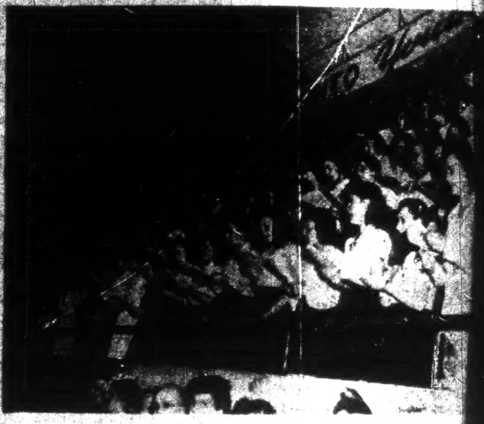


Canadian young people 20,000 strong packed Maple Leaf Gardens for a great Toronto Youth for Christ Rally, Saturday, June 16. Pictured above is a partial view of the great crowd that came through a pre-rally downpour of rain to make up the greatest attendance at any gospel rally in Canada's history.



Constance Templeton, soprano soloist, sings with great youth ch

Director Charles B. Templeton, surrounded by the great 2000 voice choir, representatives of Toronto's ministry and massed Salvation Army bands heralds the challenge of Youth for Christ in Canada.



2000 young people, from almost every choir in Toronto, packed the entire end of the Gardens bowl to feature the great Toronto

Excavate Ruins Of City Over 5,000 Years Old

A recent issue of the New York Times carried a wireless despatch from Jerusalem, giving a vivid story of late excavations which strongly support the scriptural records of a civilization and culture more than five centuries old. These excavations were made by a field expedition of the Jewish Palestine Exploration Society, and this article related the uncovering of ancient Beth-Yer now the site of Khirbet-Ker which apparently was destro about 2400 B.C., and rebuilt couple of centuries later.

Nearest the surface, the ex vators found pottery with han bearing seals from 220 to 180 Then were uncovered ruins buildings apparently constru 2,000 and 2,500 years ago. One these houses had a paved court-yard, living-rooms, house, kitchen and store r But the most interesting were at a still lower level, cating that Beth-Yerach years ago was probably the largest and most impo market towns in northern P tine, serving as a center for a gressive and densely pop agricultural and trading The workmen uncovered buildings, one of which cont an aqueduct. Earthenware sils, stone tools like sythes, bone and basalt articles. The tery urns had been baked in and their red and black de tions were as bright today 5,000 years ago. Two profe and two girl students of the brew University at Jeru with an engineer, are in c of the expedition, which u native farm settlers as work

BOOK REVIEWS

The Witness Of Matthew And Mark To Christ

By N. B. STONEHOUSE

This is the second book on the list of approved books of NAE, which was published in the issue of June 15. Dr. Stonehouse, who is professor of New Testament in Westminster Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, discusses the present-day criticism of these gospels. He maintains their authority and reliability, which he considers absolutely necessary to sustain the fundamentals of the Christian faith. Rejecting the idea of any other authorship for the first gospel, he emphasizes especially its value in recording the birth narrative, Jesus' endorsement of the Old Testament, and His divine nature and power. With his familiarity with all the critical literature bearing upon his subject, this is a valuable contribution in defense of the evangelical position.

(Published by the Presbyterian Guardian. 269 pages. Cloth, $2.50)

G. E. RICHTER

Through Blood And Fire In Latin America

By LESTER F. SUMRALL

This book is a vindication of evangelical missions. It probably owes its existence to a mandate from God for an answer to the propaganda of Roman Catholicism which would call a halt to evangelical missions in Latin America. For the most part it is an impressive list of spiritual biographies which are set forth in justification of the evangelical missionary movement. In the last three chapters, the author reports his own eyewitness observations of the life and religions of Latin America.

Every evangelical will approve this book and thank God for its appearance at this time. Every adversary of Bible Christianity, especially the Roman Catholic Church, will seek to quash it. Its general distribution will give a new birth of freedom to the gospel in Rome-ridden Lands.

(Published by Zondervan Publishing House, 246 pages. $2.00)

C. H. HEATON

Universal Bible School Lessons—Revelation

By ARTHUR E. BLOOMFIELD

This new Bible School text-book lies before us. In twelve lessons, which are undated, and consequently may be introduced at any time, and extended over as long a period as may be desired, the student is given an opportunity for a thorough study of this book, under the leadership of a competent interpreter of prophecy. There is the usual textual commentary to clear away ambiguities in the text, followed by an exposition and finally an elaboration of the topics covered by the portion of text being studied. A chart epitomizing the general structure of the book is bound into its center. For adult classes in the Sunday school, or Bible classes meeting at other times, it seems to afford a most desirable guide and help.

(Published by Traveling Bible Institute, Angola, Ind. 64 pages, paper, 30 cents per copy, postpaid.)

G. E. RICHTER

Welsh Presbyterians to Unite with Main B

EASTON, Pa. (RNS) July A committee to investigate aries paid ministers in the P byterian Synod of Pennsylv was authorized at the 64th annual meeting here several speakers had declared low salaries were a "major tribution" to the dearth of q fied pastors.

The Synod approved the ger of the First Welsh P terian Church of Philad with the Girard Avenue P terian Church, contingent on approval of the next General sembly and discussed plans the ultimate union of the W Presbytery with this Synod.

[illegible]ing "Youth For Christ" Rallies In Kenosha-Racine

[illegible] to Evangelical Action [illegible] Kenosha-Racine Youth for [illegible] group held two meetings [illegible] in late June, again demonstrating that people will respond to the gospel when presented in language and methods that appeal to today youth. [illegible] the throng of 3000 at [illegible] beautiful Lake Front stadium, Kenosha, after a parade started at 6:30, enjoyed [illegible] minute of the program [illegible] by Director Charles J. [illegible] and his associates. [illegible] invocation was given by [illegible] Minters, general overseer of the Christian Catholic [illegible] the address of welcome [illegible] Gilbert [illegible] on behalf [illegible] Mon [illegible] Band and [illegible] Girls [illegible] Chorus [illegible] with the [illegible] All-Girl Choir, [illegible] Jones, trumpeter extra-[illegible] as musical director [illegible] saxophonian, finalist in [illegible] of Charm voice contest, [illegible] soloist. Testimonies were [illegible] by clergymen and laymen, [illegible] business leaders and [illegible] people. The speaker of the evening, [illegible] presented an outstanding appeal to which there was a large response before the benediction by Rev. [illegible] of Racine, ended the two-hour long occasion.

A week later, Saturday night, June 30, a "Stadium Echo" service was held in the [illegible] Racine Memorial Hall, where 3-[illegible] filled its auditorium, and the occasion provided a spiritual feast only differing in size from that of the preceding week.

This second rally opened with a band concert at 7:30 by the Racine Temple Band under the leadership of Robert G. Pettinger. With [illegible] Leightner as pianist and E. Hugh Sellens as song leader, the throng soon responded to the spirit of the hour. Beverly [illegible], an ever-popular favorite, thrilled everyone with his solos. A stirring gospel message was presented by Wendell P. Loveless, to which there was a gracious response, ending the most memorable youth gathering in these cities that the present generation had ever experienced.

[illegible]tian Youth Campaign Training Many Workers

[illegible] to Evangelical Action [illegible] effort to meet the growing [illegible] within the sound church [illegible] trained laymen, particularly young laymen, the Christian [illegible] Campaign of America, on [illegible] 11 graduated its first class [illegible] students from the Movement School for Youth Leadership held in New York City. A [illegible] week intensive streamlined course aimed to develop [illegible] evangelistic leaders of [illegible] within the local churches [illegible] communities was conducted [illegible] Lloyd T. Bryant, director [illegible] Campaign. This is the first [illegible] of its kind in evangelical [illegible] and was begun last February [illegible]th. The summer session [illegible] July 2 and continues to [illegible] 13, at which a series of [illegible] is being given on the technique and psychology of successful leadership and in addition a [illegible] of practical rallies will be [illegible] in conjunction with the [illegible] on the theme: "Modern Youth, Its Problems and Its Potentialities".

The Christian Youth Campaign of America, which has headquarters at 1652 University Avenue, New York City, was founded nationally in 1939, and is the American affiliate of the National Young Life Campaign of Great Britain and the Campaigners for Christ in Australia. It is composed of high school, college, church and business young people and many pastors throughout America. The Campaigners, who are signed to a high covenant of personal witnessing and living, reach an average of 6000 weekly with the Gospel. Mr. Bryant, the director, has been working among youth for eighteen years, and pioneered in youth radio broadcasting in the east, in the development of the Christian Youth Center Plan and youth rallies throughout America. There are now 13,000 Campaigners in the three countries.

School News

(Continued from page 9)

[illegible]rn Nazarene College is [illegible] in Wollaston Park, a [illegible] residential section of the city of [illegible], Massachusetts. Quincy [illegible] of the South Shore suburbs [illegible] Boston. It is an industrial [illegible] of about 80,000 with the [illegible] of being the fastest [illegible] city in the state.

[illegible] college has been empowered [illegible] the state of Massachusetts [illegible] grant the degrees of [illegible] of Arts, Bachelor of [illegible], Bachelor of Arts in Theology and Bachelor of Theology. [illegible] is now offered in fifteen [illegible] staffed by instructors who have received their [illegible] in over twenty different [illegible] of learning in many [illegible].

[illegible] college is a member institution of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Although this is not [illegible] accrediting body, membership in it is accepted as [illegible] to accreditation. The [illegible] is also a member of the [illegible] of American Colleges, national organization of [illegible] institutions of learning.

[illegible] plant consists of eight [illegible] situated on several [illegible] beautiful park within [illegible] of Wollaston Beach, [illegible] an inlet of Boston [illegible].

[illegible] Christian college of liberal [illegible], Eastern Nazarene College [illegible] committed to the long-[illegible] of education. It aims [illegible] alive in a world of un-[illegible] in the spiritual and [illegible] values as against the [illegible] and merely contemporary [illegible] Eastern Nazarene College [illegible] under denominational [illegible] of the Church of the Nazarene [illegible] college is committed definitely to the doctrinal and high ethical standards of the church as set forth in its Manual.

All students are required to abstain from such practices as the use of alcoholic liquors, tobacco, card playing, dancing, attendance at theaters, including moving picture theaters, and membership in secret societies. Those who do not cheerfully agree to these standards may be asked to withdraw from the college. Eastern Nazarene College has no fraternities or sororities. It maintains, however, numerous organizations which foster wholesome social and cultural development. The program of the campus offers abundant opportunities for recreation and for intermingling of students of opposite sexes, with observance of proper regulations.

The library is located on the first floor of the Fowler Memorial Building and contains approximately 14,000 volumes and several hundred pamphlets. Over 5000 books have been added during the past four years, all of them carefully chosen to cover the fields of study offered by the college and to provide reading of a general cultural nature.

The work in biology is conducted in two laboratories: one for zoology and the other for botany and advanced biology. A large chemical laboratory is used for the general course in chemistry and for organic chemistry, and a smaller laboratory for analytical chemistry, physical chemistry, biochemistry, and other advanced courses. The physics laboratory is provided with all the apparatus used in the standard elementary courses that are offered here.

The student guidance program heads up in the College Personnel Bureau. This bureau assembles personal data concerning students for purposes of guidance and placement. It offers counseling services to those needing or desiring help with educational, vocation, or personal problems. It assists students and alumni in vocational placement, and helps to coordinate other personnel services of the college.

Fundamental Bible Institute of Kentucky

This school, begun in a shed-like building in 1935, erected its present beautiful and commodious building in 1938. It has a large auditorium, eight class-rooms, kitchen, dining room and living room, with unused space for future use.

Associated with the American Inland Mountain Mission, it is an independent school which stands firmly for sound doctrine. Its purpose is to provide Christian training at the least possible expense. Tuition is free, board and room are provided for $18 a month. It offers a two-year course with a comprehensive curriculum including music courses and various phases of practical work.

By C. Stacey Woods

There are two ways to look at the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. You might see the Fellowship in terms of one isolated campus chapter—perhaps 25 students, a pitifully small minority in a college of 3,000. The other way is to look at the Fellowship as a whole and in terms of accomplishment. Then you see 105 such groups—ranging in size from 10 to 150 students. And each of these groups being used of God week by week to lead students to the Lord Jesus, and to hold them true to Him while they are in college. These reports from some of our men will let you know some of the ways the Lord has been answering prayers for the salvation of college and university students during the past few weeks.

"It Happened One Night"

Two girls on this campus were studying the Bible in their dormitory room one evening this spring, when they heard a knock at the door. An unsaved friend from down the hall was there, and asked what they were doing. "Studying the Bible," they said, "Won't you join us?" "Oh, no thank you,"—the girl quickly excused herself and returned to her room. But hardly had they time to resume their study when again a knock was heard. The same girl was there, and asked a bit hesitantly if she might study with them. And she did—until a late hour—with avid interest. Before their session ended, and without any prompting whatsoever, the friend from down the hall expressed a keen desire to accept Christ, and with a bit more help from the Word she did so—and there was rejoicing in that room as well as in Heaven!—Herb Butt, Staff Member for Texas.

Growing Pains

The one outstanding thing that I am [illegible] this week from [illegible] College is the conversion of a girl with whom I have not yet had a chance to talk because the students begged me not to. They said that she is so emotionally keyed up over being a Christian that she can hardly set her mind on anything else! She is right on the border line so far as grades are concerned and they are just sure that if I went to talk with her, she would get so excited she would flunk out of school. The report about her is that at last she has found something worth living for. She is so excited about it that she goes around beaming all the time. She was supposed to have been a rather sober individual and the change is quite noticeable. She capitalizes on her new happiness and tells people about Christ every time she is asked about the [illegible]—Jane [illegible], Staff Member for Ohio and Indiana.

My Happiest Springtime

"This is the happiest springtime since I was a child." The girl who told me this is a graduate student at a large Western Pennsylvania university. She had been very much interested in the Gospel but was confronted with too many intellectual problems to be able to accept Christ as her Saviour. Then, finally, after several conversations, and prayer on my part, she accepted Christ one night in her own room. Now a month later she writes: "I have never been so at peace in my whole life. . . I have my Bible on my bedside table and I read it each night. It seems like the book was written for me alone. So many of my old doubts are being routed and Christ is real to me. You did many things for me, but I think the greatest was pointing me to the brilliant Christian thinkers. I had become so lopsided in my reading. I wonder now why I ever was so dense about it all."—Polly Barkhuff, Staff Member for Pennsylvania.

In A Hospital

Today a note came from a nurse with this message, "Now I know beyond a shadow of doubt that I have been born again by the Spirit of God." This was God's answer to months of prayer and witnessing to this girl by other Christian nurses. Last fall these girls at Emanuel Hospital in Portland, discouraged with the spiritual tone of their Fellowship group, decided to have a daily prayer meeting. The hospital authorities gave them a special room. And things began to happen. Three Christians who had been backsliding were restored to vital fellowship with their Saviour. One unsaved [illegible] of her [illegible] she asked to borrow a Bible and within a week had been led to Christ. Now another has come to Him. It is a thrill to ask, "Who is going to be next?" because these nurses expect great things from God—and then set about to win their friends to Christ.—Catherine Alexander, Staff Member for Oregon.

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I have been thrilled to the heart this week by two further instances of God's blessing through Inter-Varsity. Six former Inter-Varsity men graduating from one seminary were presented for ordination last Thursday evening; five of these were led to Christ, or influenced to go into the gospel ministry through the Fellowship. The other instance was to read how God used Marine Chaplain Henry E. Austin in Iwo Jima. He was led to Christ as an undergraduate while attending Inter-Varsity Chapter meetings at Swarthmore College.—C. Stacey Woods, General Secretary.

[illegible] Presbyterians Protest O.D.T.'s Ban

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., June 13 ([illegible])—A protest against the ODT's ban on summer youth conferences, and a demand that the travel restrictions be lifted, was [illegible] here by the Synod of Illinois of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

"In view of the fact that very few of our young people travel to these conferences on trains and that travel to amusement camps and race tracks is freely permitted, we can only conclude that this ruling of the ODT . . . results not so much in the restriction of travel as in the restriction of culture and religion," said a message sent to Fred Vinson, director of war mobilization.

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Eastern Conservative Congregationalists Desire To Know One Another

By REV. GERALD E. [illegible]
Fall River, Mass.

People who are familiar with the history of Congregationalism realize that, speaking of the denomination generally, it finds itself today in just about the same condition which it faced 150 years ago, when it was split by the infiltration of Unitarian teaching in the churches of the Atlantic seaboard, especially in its birth-place, New England. Unquestionably, the early colonists were loyal evangelicals, and the denomination has given to America three of its outstanding conservative leaders—Jonathan Edwards, Charles G. Finney, and Dwight L. Moody. Just as unquestionably, there is no agency or binding power to say that a Congregational Church may not accept liberal teachings if it chooses to do so. Because of the independent form of polity which gives it its name, the denomination has no official doctrinal standards, but each church makes its own creed and covenant.

Nevertheless, precedents should have some influence, now as at the dawning of the nineteenth century. Then, to clarify the situation, most of the Unitarian-inclined churches withdrew from the old-time Congregational fellowship and organized a new denomination. In many cases they took with them the real estate and the invested funds of the Congregational churches accumulated during the first 200 years—but that is another story. It was legally possible for a minority of the members to do this, because of the peculiar dual organization of the early churches, by which the "society" in which even non-Christian residents could claim membership, as distinguished from the church, controlled the property. Loyal orthodox churches were generally obliged to start anew. Although in many instances the Unitarians refused to abandon the "Congregational" title, and many New England churches to this day bear the legend on their signboards, ". . . Congregational Church (Unitarian)" or "Trinitarian," or "Orthodox" (the last two often no longer accurate) to distinguish the groups from one another, the fact was established that Congregationalism, by precedent, is evangelical and Trinitarian.

At the time of this schism, a large part, perhaps a majority, of the churches of Massachusetts (then to even a larger extent than at present leading the nation in the number of its Congregational churches) accepted the Unitarian position. In Boston, then the denomination's center, only a few churches remained loyal, but other seaboard states, especially Connecticut, due to the influence of Jonathan Edwards, were not greatly affected. There were no theological equipment came days, when ministers received their training in the early liberal arts colleges, most of which were founded primarily for the education of ministers. Their theological equipment came through a customary chair of divinity, whose incumbent gave instruction in doctrine, church history, and cognate subjects, supplemented after graduation by association with an older minister, or a group of them for further study. Due largely to the influence of the eloquent young William Ellery Channing at Boston's Arlington Avenue Church, who had espoused and was expounding the teachings of Priestley, the leader of British Unitarianism, when a vacancy occurred in the occupancy of that chair at Harvard, a Unitarian professor had been appointed. This led to the division of the denomination, and also to the founding of Andover Theological Seminary (now combined with Newton—which is still another story) as the first institution of its kind in America. The organization of Park Street Church in Boston was another outcome of those stirring days, and Park Street has been a citadel of the faith ever since.

Today, speaking generally once more, many (perhaps in the East, most) Congregational pulpits are manned by ministers who have abandoned the evangelical position, due to the influence of Modernism, whether calling themselves merely Liberals or out-and-out Unitarians. Undoubtedly most of the people in the pews, not being even diligent students of the Bible, much less the theological doctrinaires of their forbears, do not realize that much of the teaching to which they listen is anti-Biblical. The church, as a whole, cannot be said to have gone over to the Liberal position.

There are many orthodox men in the Congregational ministry, but they do not know one another, and have no means of fellowship or of promoting united action to maintain the primary conservative position of the churches. Recently there has been organized in Minneapolis a Conservative Congregational Christian Fellowship, which is offering such an opportunity, one that is being accepted by Congregationalists in the West, but has not greatly influenced the denomination in the places of its origin. It is now proposed to make an enrollment of conservative Congregational ministers along the Atlantic seaboard, especially in New England, whether they desire to become associated with this mid-western movement or not, for purposes of fellowship and conference. Such ministers and churches are invited to correspond with the writer if interested in such a co-operative movement.

Los Angeles Times Criticizes Methodist Conference Resolutions

A correspondent from Los Angeles has submitted to us for reprinting the following editorial from the Los Angeles Times of June 27, which will doubtless be of interest to many of our readers:

Methodist Leaders Take An Unpractical Course

"Leaders of all kinds—in government, business, labor unions, churches—have a particular responsibility during these trying days of war and reconstruction. They owe to their followers and to the nation the duty of careful, sincere examination of current problems. They should exercise common sense and be willing to have open minds. They should not go off at tangents. They should not follow blindly a traditional line of conduct or cling to a viewpoint merely for the sake of being considered 'liberal' or 'conservative.'

"Yet the leaders of the Methodist Church in the Southern California Conference meeting at Pasadena have just committed their church, by resolution, to a number of hazy, ultra-leftist objectives which many of their own pastors and lay members privately deplore.

"This followed similar action last year, when some resolutions in connection with the war were so distasteful that numerous preachers admittedly were ashamed of them.

"It is safe to say that not one ordinary church member in 1000 is aware of the full text of resolutions passed by the conference virtually advocating abolition of private ownership of property and proposing a super state. The mere fact of the nebulous phrasing of these resolutions makes them all the more pernicious in view of their general and very obvious tenor.

"As an example, the conference this year passed a resolution asking greater government control of the social and economic life of the United States. It demanded an immediate disclosure to the Japanese of the terms of surrender—a demand which repeatedly has been made by advocates of a 'soft' peace. It provided monetary support for conscientious objectors. It reiterated—and quite properly so now—its appeal for protection of persons of Japanese ancestry returning to California, apparently forgetting that its own zeal in helping to force this return contributed to the very 'incidents' which all right-thinking persons deplore but which all clear-thinking persons knew would be inevitable.

"Every church member, like every other good citizen, should be privileged to 'make up his own mind on these crucial issues.

"He should not be bound by the dictates of a small group of professional leaders who cling tenaciously to their own pet theories and who are urged on by vociferous pressure groups which seek by hoodwinking . . . well-meaning 'front' groups . . . destroy American fundamentals.

"The church has a moral responsibility to lead. Yet its leaders abuse their great trust . . . they permit themselves to . . . duped by exploded governmental theories and the like, and . . . turn dupe their own followers.

"The Pasadena Methodist conference, typical of those of . . . other denominations, too, is . . . discredit to the great church . . . whole. But it is a discredit . . . those leaders who are too . . . swayed by shallow fallacious arguments and who stumble . . . blind alleys in the name . . . Christian conduct.

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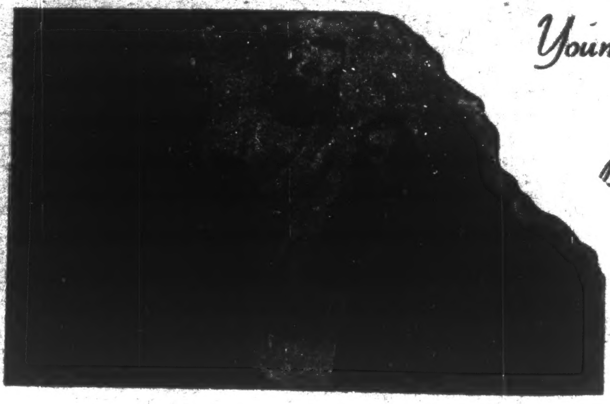

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